American Woodmen To Hold Meeting Here July 4 To 6

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Approximately 1,000 delegates and visitors from the States of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee will arrive in Atlanta July 3 to register for the 15th District Session of the American Woodmen which will convene July 4 and close July 6. The daily sessions will be held at Central Methodist Church, 503 Mitchell Street, S. W.

A mammoth parade will be held at 3 P. M. on July 4 and will begin at Mosely Park. A Memorial Pageant will begin at 7:45 P. M. at Central Methodist Church and the Reverend L. L. Haynes of Nashville, Tennessee, Supreme Prelate of the American Woodmen will deliver the eulogy.

Following the Memorial Pageant, a Band and Drill Team Competition will be held at Morris Brown Stadium at 10 P. M. Featured at the stadium will be the crack American Woodmen Cadets Junior Drum and Bugle Corps from St. Louis Missouri, a 78 piece outfit which is the only Negro Junior Drum and Bugle Corps of the 49th State Association of Drum Corps, Incorporated. Other units to perform at Morris Brown stadium will be the Price High Band, Washington High Band, David T. Howard Band, Fulton High Band.

The Junior Oratorical Contest for American Woodmen scholarships will be held July 5 at 7:45 P. M.

The session will end July 6 with a tour of the city for the delegates and visitors. The District Session Promenade will conclude the session at Magnolia Ballroom July 6 from 9 P. M. to 1 A. M.

Among the Woodmen dignitaries to come to Atlanta for the session will be Supreme Commander L. H. Lightner of Denver, Colorado, Mrs. Ruth P. Powell, Supreme Watchman of Mobile, Alabama, Reverend L. L. Haynes, Supreme Prelate of Nashville, Tennessee, Mrs. M. I. Smith-Morgan, National Junior Counselor of Denver, Colorado, and B. W. Goodwin, Jr., Regional Administrator of St. Louis, Missouri.

American Woodmen Close Session With Grand Ball

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The American Woodmen Friday ended its annual three-day session of the 15th District with a gala demonstration by a crack St. Louis competitive drum and bugle corps and the fraternal group's grand ball.

Delegates from the six states comprising district two—Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee—completed workshops around 3 p m. and then went on a tour of the city. Most of them remained to watch what was described as the only competitive drum and bugle corps and drill team composed solely of Negroes in the mid-west.

The 63 member corp charmed Auburn Avenue at 4:45 p. m. with selections that varied in tempo and volumn from "Summertime" to "Hoop-De-Do" Composed only of "Junior Cadets of the American Wodmen" the musicians donned their full regalia for the night performance.

In midwestern competition, the group was ranked second, according to B. W. Goodwin, Jr., regional administrator.

Host camps for the three-day meeting were 142, 133 and 171 of Atlanta. W. E. Rish and Mrs. M. E. Weaver are commander and clerk respectively of camp 171; Mrs. Lillian Shepherd, commander of camp 142; and Mrs. Lillie Mae Davis and Miss Annie Cox are commander and clerk respectively of camp 133. Mrs. Clara B. Kellog, also a hostess, is Worthy Guardian of the Junior Tent.

During the meeting, E. M. Martin, of Atlanta Life Insurance Company and L. D. Milton of Citizens Trust Company, welcomed the visitors to Atlanta.

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Elks May Increase Membership Fee To Assist Work Of NAACP

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By LOUIS LAUTIER
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LOS ANGELES — (NNPA) — The 57th annual grand lodge of the Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World was urged Wednesday to include in its membership fees the sum of $1 for each new member to join the NAACP.

The suggestion was made by Carl Murphy, president of the Afro American Newspapers, upon whom was conferred the honorary degree of past grand exalted ruler.

Mr. Murphy also proposed that to remain a member in good standing "every brother and daughter Elk should have a membership card" in the NAACP. He advanced two other proposals:

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1. That the Elks set up a membership requirement that every Elk, to be in good standing in his lodge, must present a card showing that he or she is a registered voter.

2. That the Elks join in the campaign to reduce the voting age from 21 to 18 to make it possible for members of the Junior Herd to qualify early as voters.

These suggestions were in line with the proposal of Robert H. Johnson of Philadelphia, grand exalted ruler, that the Elks take over and carry on the work of the NAACP in southern states in which the association is being outlawed.

After he had finished his 20-minute address, the order conferred upon Dr. Murphy the honorary degree of past grand exalted ruler. The degree was bestowed upon him by Vincent A. Townsend of Los Angeles, a lawyer and assistant civil liberties commissioner of the Elks Mr. Townsend was authorized to do so by Grand Exalted Ruler Johnson.

Dr. Murphy also was made a member of the Past Grand Exalted Rulers' Council.

Truly Hatchett, of Baltimore, a member of the Maryland Legislature and assistant grand commissioner of education of the Elks, presented Dr. Murphy to the grand lodge.

A SYMBOL

As a symbol of the honor he was given, Dr. Murphy had an Elks' collar placed around his neck.

Mrs. Murphy, his wife, witnessed the ceremony. She was specially admitted to the grand lodge session for the occasion.

After the grand lodge ceremony Dr. and Mrs. Murphy visited the grand temple (women's auxiliary) Mr. Murphy was introduced to the grand temple by Clay Claiborne of Atlantic City, press secretary to the grand exalted ruler. In brief remarks, he said "hello!" to the daughter Elks. He said the cabin of Mrs Nettie Carter Jackson, granddaughter ruler, was one of the finest at the John Brown Farm, Elks' shrine

He and Mrs. Murphy, he told the women, have been married 40 years and have five daughters and 18 grandchildren, but if he and Mrs Murphy were to marry again, they would pick the John Brown Farm as a honeymoon site.

HER AUTHORITY

Mrs. Pearl Brown of Baltimore grand treasurer and daughter ruler of Southern Temple, Baltimore, Md introduced Mrs. Murphy to the grand lodge. She extended greetings.

Mrs. Jackson exercised her authority as grand daughter ruler to make Mrs. Murphy an honorary member of the grand temple and give her membership in Southern Temple upon meeting certain requirements.

At the Elks grand lodge, Dr. and Mrs. Murphy were escorted by a committee, appointed by Grand Exalted Ruler Johnson, consisting of William Royster of Newark, New Jersey, a district deputy; Dr. James F. Goodwin of Reading, Pa., Elks' educational director of Pennsylvania, and William Minor of Arlington, Va., secretary of Pride of Arlington Elks' lodge.

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In his address to the grand lodge Mr. Murphy cited some of the achievements to which Dr. Johnson had referred in a letter inviting him to come to the grand lodge session and receive the honorary degree of past grand exalted ruler.

"The first editorial I ever wrote, 38 years ago, pointed out the unjust Maryland State law, under which the minimum salary for colored teachers was fixed at $370 a year, and the minimum for white teachers, $504 a year, and both were doing the same work," Mr. Murphy told the grand lodge, adding:

"For 17 years we made no headway, because it is one thing to advocate reforms. It is a different thing to set up an organization to effect them.

"Then the Baltimore Branch of the NAACP was revived under a most amazing woman, Mrs. Lillie Jackson.

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"A branch of the National Urban League, became effective under the direction of Ed Lewis, now director of the New York Urban League.

"The Monumental Lodge of the Elks and some 20 other Elk lodges organized for civil liberty, Masonic order, the churches, and both major parties put their shoulders to the wheel.

"We called upon the late Dr. Charles Houston, the NAACP's first chief legal counsel, to test the Maryland law fixing different salary scales for teachers according to race.

"We won that first case in Montgomery County and then filed suits in five other counties before the rest of the state capitulated and struck the words 'colored' and 'white' out of the law.

"The first case to compel a state university to open its doors to all citizens was filed in Maryland.

"The only reason it did not go to the Supreme Court was that both the lower State court and the Court of Appeals ruled in our favor.

"When our plaintiff was admitted to the University of Maryland Law School, we found it necessary to sue the School of Engineering and then the School of Nursing and finally, two years ago, the summer school and the collegiate and graduate departments themselves voluntarily dropped the color bar.

"The right of employment in a private library supported by Baltimore City funds was established in the Pratt Library case.

"We lost a similar suit in which we sought to enroll our students in the Maryland Institute of Art. Two years ago this institution abolished racial discrimination of its own accord.

"In three cases we won the right to use municipal golf courses and to travel on railroads without sitting in jim crow cars.

"When the Supreme Court acted May 17, 1954, in the public school cases, we already had suits in Baltimore City courts asking integration of high and vocational schools.

"The result was that the Baltimore City School Board was the first city in the nation to order desegregation of its entire public school system. It did it within 10 days after the Supreme Court's decision.

"We carried our suit to require the city and state to end their color line in municipal swimming pools and public beaches from the State District Court to the Fourth Circuit U. S. Court of Appeals and finally to the Supreme Court where we won. This summer colored and white kids swim together.

"Acting upon our petition, which we were prepared to file in Federal courts, our great Governor McKeldin, acting as Commander in Chief of the State Malitia, integrated the Maryland National Guard. Before this we had a separate jim crow company or a battalion in the National Guard for more than 60 years.

"Eight of 23 Maryland counties integrated some schools last year. Two received no applications although they were willing to do so. Seven counties have made moves to comply. Five have taken no action.

"Tuesday of this week we filed suit against one county which proposed to start only with the first grade.

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"In all this, my job as a newspaper publisher has been simply to hold up a light so that our people can see the way.' '

Mr. Murphy praised Grand Exalted Ruler as "the foremost and most capable leader" the Elks had to succeed the late J. Finley Wilson. He also commended members of Dr. Johnson's cabinet, including William C. Hueston, grand secretary; Perry W. Howard, grand legal adviser; George McMechen, past grand exalted ruler, Lloyal Randolph, a grand trustee, Mr. Hatchett Grand Daughter Ruler Jackson and her cabinet, including Mrs. Brown.

"All of these are veterans of the Golden Age of Finley, who have rallied around our new leader with the determination to move this great order to higher achievements," Mr. Murphy declared.

Oratorical Group To Tuskegee

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MONTGOMERY, Ala. -The 26th annual Region V Elks Oratorical Contest is now announced for Sunday afternoon, July 15, at Tuskegee Institute.

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At this contest there will be the competitive participation of the state winners from the six states of Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Texas. These contestants will be competing for the $1,000 Elks Educational Scholarship to the college of their choice as well as competing for the trip to Los Angeles for the national finals.

It has been certified that these contestants will include Gwendolyn LaMarr of Parker High School, Birmingham, Marline Cain of Alexander High School, Brookheaven, Mississippi, Marlene Norman of Port Arthur, Texas and Fannie Carl Brown of New Orleans, Louisiana; along with the state winners from Arkansas and Tennessee.

This contest is again under the supervision of Dr. H. Council Trenholm who has served for a number of years as Elks Educational Director for Region V. The associated state directors include Dr. J. G. Hardy for Alabama, Rev. Thomas O. McDunkins for Arkansas, Mr. Preston N. Knight for Louisana, Mr. A. A. Alexander for Mississippi, Mr. Sam Qualls, Jr., for Tennessee and Mr. F. M. Robbins for Texas. Mrs. Bettye Steel Turner of Tuskegee Institute is the state Directress of Education for Alabama.

The local host is Booker T. Washington Lodge No. 762 at Tuskegee Institute of which Mr. J. R. Armster is the exalted ruler. Mr. Harold Saunders is associated as the Educational Director for Alabama District VI.

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The facilities of Tuskegee Institute are being available. The contest will be at 2:00 in the chapel. The headquarters will be at Dorothy Hall where the state directors meet with the regional at 1:00 that Sunday afternoon.

There is statewide interest in Alabama. The past exalted rulers' council will meet at Tuskegee that same day. There will also be a delegation from the other states.

The national program of the Department of Education is under the direction of Grand Commissioner George W. Lee of Memphis, Tennessee.

Elks Set Oratory Contest Finals

LOS ANGELES — The national convention of the Elks, meeting here, will be highlighted by the annual sermon for the department The sermon will be delivered by Rev. Arthur A. Peters, pastor of the Victory Baptist church.

One of the most appealing features of the convention will be the national oratorical contest, scheduled for Monday night. A special guest will be Autherine Lucy, whose futile fight to enroll at the University of Alabama attracted world attention.

The contest itself will be the end result of competitions held in 400 cities in which high school students spoke on the Negro and the U. S. Constitution.

George W. Lee, grand commissioner of education, said that in many communities the programs were racially integrated.

Last year's winner was a young white student, first of his race to win the Elks' oratorical contest.

Contestants in this year's finals are Stephen B. Cohen, of Indiana Harbor, Ind.; Sondra Ann White, Washington, D. C.; Vertia L. Meeks, Jacksonville, Fla.; Gwendolyn LeMar, Birmingham, Ala.; Jerome Croome, Omaha, Neb., and Jule Farmer, San Francisco, Calif.

The education department of the Elks, created 28 years ago, has given more than a million and a half dollars to more than 800 students under its scholarship program.

Elks ruler receives autographed sheet of BTW stamps

LOS ANGELES (NNPA) — Postmaster Ottoe K. Olesen of Los Angeles Wednesday presented Elks Grand Exalted Ruler Robert H. Johnson with an autographed sheet of Booker T. Washington centennial stamps.

The stamps were signed by President Eisenhower and Postmaster General Arthur Summerfield.

Also participating in the ceremony were George W. Peterson and Joseph Clarke of the Post Office Department, Washington.

Hueston victorious

LOS ANGELES — The promised legal battle over the finances temporarily halted late Thursday afternoon, when Judge William C. Hueston of Washington, D.C., was re-elected grand secretary.

The vote for Judge Heuston was overwhelming, with only two or three delegates voting for his opponent, William H. (Sarge) Walker, also of Washington.

The balloting for office followed a report by Judge Hueston, which also was overwhelmingly approved by the convention.

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THE ONLY objection heard came from Mr. Walker, who climaxed his complaints by nominating himself for the office.

Mr. Walker, who had been grand traveling auditor since Sept. 1, 1951, announced his candidacy for grand secretary last May.

He leveled charges of misconduct, mismanagement and fraud at a number of grand lodge officers.

These officers included Grand Exalted Ruler Robert H. Johnson, the grand secretary, Grand Commissioner of Education George W. Lee, Grand Public Relations Director Charles McClane, who also is overseer of the John Brown Farm, near Harpers Ferry, which the Elks own.

PRIOR TO the convention, he announced that if he was not elected to the office of grand secretary, he would bring suit in Federal District Court to have a receiver appointed for the order.

Both Exalted Ruler Johnson and Perry Howard Sr. have official knowledge of the charges by Mr. Walker. They deny the charges have any basis.

We'll Answer All Questions, Says Robert H. Johnson

by BOB QUEEN
(Philadelphia Courier Editor)

PHILADELPHIA—Grand Exalted Ruler of Elkdom, Robert H. Johnson, interviewed at his South Philadelphia home, 906 S. Broad St., on Monday regarding the blasts against the order coming out of Pittsburgh and the suit filed in Washington, sighed: "This is a thankless job," and went on to state that "it's very small for someone to try and break up an organization like the Elks with nothing to go on."

Shown an advance copy of the Florida edition of the Courier which carried the story of the suit filed in Washington by William C. Walker, Grand raveling Auditor, charging "fraud" and "maladministration" against himself and other Grand Lodge officers, The "Grand" remarked, "Walker was my appointment, and this is the results of it."

"He (Walker) is bringing serious charges against Grand Lodge officers who are men of high standing in their respective communities, on unfounded facts," Johnson stated.

The Grand pointed out that George W. Lee, Grand Director of Education, one of the defendants named in the suit, was financially independent of the Grand Lodge and is held in such high esteem in Memphis, Tenn., that they recently named a post office after him.

"We'll be in a position to answer any question by any Elk," Johnson said, and that "I am willing to submit my account at any time for audit. I am bonded for $25,000," the Grand added.

Further referring to Walker's allegations of "waste of $50,000 each year," Johnson pointed out that the Grand Lodge is now operating under a streamlined and improved budget system set up by the budget committee, of which Walker was one of the members. The other committee members were said to be Marcus A. Bernard of Philadelphia and Bernard McGerald.

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THE GRAND declared also, reaching into his desk drawer, that he has in his possession photostatic copies of complaints from a number of lodges that Walker charged them "exorbitant fees" in pursuing his duties as Grand Traveling Auditor.

Johnson took the opportunity to comment on the "anonymous" brother out of Pittsburgh who let out the "Elks Stink" phrase.

"Of course, we don't know who he is, but it is ridiculous to refer to the distinguished Grand Lodge officers as 'cut throats'."

As to the "blind leading the blind" phrase, Johnson had other words to say about the charge in the letter that "50 per cent of the Grand Lodge officers have never attended high school."

Johnson pointed out that the lack of high school training was not a deterrent against leadership, citing the background of the late Grand, J. Finley Wilson, whom he succeeded, that reveals not a single educational history. "Then, we have Grand Lodge officers who are professional men in every field, some of whom have attended universities abroad."

Also shown the letter sent to the Courier, and printed, by a "George Jacobs, 448 Sachem Way Pittsburgh 19, Pa.," which stated that the Elks are being "run by gangsters, Bob Johnson being the Gestapo of them," the Grand merely stated, "He says I am the 'Gestapo' in one part of the letter and in another part says 'I'm being run by somebody'."

On the matter of alleged repair expenses on his private home being charged to the lodge illegally, as charged in Walker's Washington suit, Johnson said, "All repairs on my home were paid for by me out of my own account."

Elks ask dismissal of suit

WASHINGTON (NNPA)—The Elks grand lodge Wednesday asked the Federal District Court here to dismiss the suit brought against it for a receivership.

Through Perry W. Howard, its grand legal adviser, the order told the court that it lacks jurisdiction to entertain the suit filed Sept. 29 by William H. (Sarge) Walker, former grand traveling auditor.

In addition to asking for appointment of a receiver to take over and conduct the affairs of the order, Mr. Walker asked that the grand lodge officers be enjoined from committing further waste, mismanagement and fraud in regard to the order.

Commenting upon the suit, Mr. Howard said, first of all it was brought in the wrong court. "That is supported by all the authorities," he said, "and there are no variations.

"You have got to go to the domicile of a corporation when you attack its entity. You are attacking its life."

He added that Mr. Walker would have to bring suit in the Federal District Court in New Jersey because of "diversity of citizenship."

As to the charges made in Mr. Walker's complaint, Mr. Howard called them "a tissue of falsehoods growing out of his (Walker's) being let out as grand traveling auditor."

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MR. HOWARD stated that Grand Exalted Ruler Johnson found there was such an "upheavel" of the membership resulting from Mr. Walker's visits "to these little lodges to audit their books and leaving such a bill that would break them," that Mr. Johnson thought he would be injured.

After Mr. Johnson decided not to send him out again, Mr. Howard said, Mr. Walker demanded a salary. According to Mr. Howard, Mr. Johnson told Mr. Walker that he had no authority to create a salary.

Finally, a settlement was made in July with Mr. Walker for $650 for all claims he had against the grand lodge, Mr. Howard said.

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"THERE IS nothing in the order that I can find that has gone on or is going on that the membership does not already know," Mr. Howard said. He denied Mr. Walker's charge that fully and complete financial reports were not made at the last grand lodge session in Los Angeles in August.

"Both Grand Secretary Hueston and Grand Treasurer Jackson made full and complete reports," Mr. Howard said. "If Hueston's report is not acceptable, then trere is Judge Jackson's report. If Judge Jackson's s clean, then Hueston's is clean."

Mr. Howard also denied Mr. Walker's charge that he, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Hueston, all salaried officers, were paid $950 for doing an afternoon's work of revising Elk laws.

"What I got out of it," Mr. Howard said, "covered six months of work on my part together with Hueston and several visits to Johnson to confer with him. I consider I got practically nothing but expenses out of it for the reason that I draw a salary of $140 a month as attorney for a million-dollar corporation."

Cheers—Grand Director of Civil Liberties Hobson R. Reynolds of Philadelphia, right, and the Rev. Martin Luther King of Montgomery, at his left, were cheered in the two-hour-long parade of the Elks' convention in Los Angeles.

Bob Johnson Re-elected 'Grand'

Autherine, Rev. King Give Challenges to Elks' Confab

By CHES WASHINGTON and B. H. LOGAN

LOS ANGELES—Autherine Lucy Foster's pledge to return to the University of Alabama and the Rev. Martin Luther King's claim that "the old order of segregation in the South is dying" highlighted the 57th annual IBPOEW convention which closed here

Speaking at the Education Department meeting, Mrs. Foster said:

"The University of Alabama is still my choice—even though they threw rotten eggs at me. And I will continue my efforts to return there."

Grand Commissioner of Education George W. Lee announced that the Elks had given Mrs. Foster a $1000 scholarship because she is "a symbol of our struggle to obtain first-class citizenship."

In his address to the civil rights meeting, the Rev. Mr. King said:

"The only loud noises you hear in the South now are the dying groans of the old order. And segregation must die if democracy is to live!"

He called for consecrated leadership among Negroes who were not just seeking money or publicity.

"The great challenge of the Negro race today is to be able to enter the doors when they open," he continued.

The Rev. Mr. King charged that "one fraternal order spent $500,000 in one week for whiskey in its convention last year—much more than Negroes all over the U. S. spent in one year for the NAACP."

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THE MILITANT 27-year-old minister who led the Montgomery bus boycott was presented the Elijah Lovejoy medal for his courage and Americanism.

Grand Director of Civil Liberties Hobson R. Reynolds promised that there "will not be second-class citienship as long as there is an IBPOE of W."

"Although we are peace-loving," he said, "we shall fight on every front until every door of opportunity is opened to all Americans."

Following his reelection as Grand Exalted Ruler, Dr. Robert H. Johnson announced the Elks will urge vote registration, civil rights, and would aid students by offering advanced scholarships. He also said the Elks will set up mobile health units to serve needy areas and especially the deep South where proper medical facilities were not available to thousands.

U. S. Senator Thomas Kuchel promised the Elks that President Eisenhower "will work for all the people, despite color or religion. He also said he would work toward the elimination of the "vicious filibuster rule" in the U. S. Senate.

Elks institute drive to raise $1 million for scholarship aid

LOS ANGELES (NNPA)—George W. Lee of Memphis, Tenn., Elks' grand commissioner of education, in his annual report Thursday announced that the Elks have launched a campaign to raise a million dollars for scholarship aid to develop leadership.

The Elks have given aid to several of the plaintiffs, Mr. Lee said, in the cases which the Supreme Court outlawed racial segregation in public schools.

Recipients of these scholarships were Spottswood Bolling Jr., one of the plaintiffs in the District of Columbia case; Dorothy Davis, Virginia case; Harry Briggs Jr., Carolina case, and Linda Brown, Kansas case

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IN THE past 26 years, Mr Lee reported, the Elks have granted over a million dollars in scholarships.

Recipients of these scholarships, he said, include such prominent persons as the Rev. Martin L. King Jr., leader of the bus boycott in Montgomery Ala.; Miss Dorothy Height, International YWCA secretary, and Keesler Montgomer, assistant attorney general of Massachusetts.

Through Dr. G. W. C. Brown of Norfolk, Va., he reported that a social institute was inaugurated by discussion groups on increased civic participation in group education committees for the development of better educational programs.

MR. LEE recommended a three-point program to bring about acceptance of the Supreme Court ruling requiring desegregation of public schools in the south:

1. Enlist goodwill to neutralize prejudice and bring about freedom from fear.
2. Provide scholarships for underpriviledged young men and women.
3. To aid students in states where parents are subjected to economic pressures by White Citizens Councils.

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WILLIAM S. LISENMEYER Phoenix, Ariz., a white youth who won the Elks' national oratorical contest, is now studying on the Elks' award at Georgetown University, Washington.

Mr. Lee included in his report a letter from Dean Joseph A. Sellinger, S. J., stating:

"Once again we here at Georgetown would like to express our sincere gratitude to you for the financial assistance which you are extending to this young man.

"His industry and seriousness of mind indicate how greatly he appreciates what you are doing for him.

"It is the sincere hope of all of the Georgetown faculty that God will bless you abundantly for the wonderful work you are doing."

Miss Lucy hears Elks' orators

LOS ANGELES—Mrs. Autherine Lucy Foster appeared with the eager young orators who assembled here Aug. 27 to compete for the scholarships offered by the Elks in their annual national oratorical contest finals.

Mrs. Foster, first of her race to enroll at the University of Alabama, heard the finalists from more than 400 cities vie for top scholarship prizes as they spoke on the theme, "The Negro and the American Constitution."

George W. Lee, grand commissioner of education for the Elks, said that the high school contestants had spoken before a combined audience of more than a million and a half persons and that the audiences, integrated on many levels, worked extremely well.

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LAST YEAR'S CONTEST in Atlantic City, was won for the first time by a white student. This year's contest saw a Jewish student, Stephen B. Cohen of Indiana Harbor, Ind., win the preliminaries at Gary, Ind., and go on to Los Angeles to compete in the finals.

Other young orators who had reached the finals at Los Angeles included Miss Sandra A. White, Washington; Miss Vertie L. Meeks, Jacksonville, Fla.; Miss Gwendolyn LeMar, Birmingham; Jerome Croom, Omaha; the Jule Farmer, San Francisco.

Past winners include:

The Rev. Martin L. King, leader of the Montgomery bus boycott; Miss Dorothy Height, international YWCA secretary and national president of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, and Kees

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GREENSBORO, N.C. — The annual fall conference of the North Carolina Elks met here Sept. 29-30, guests of Old North State lodge and temple and James W. Dook lodge and Marie Temple.

More than 100 Elks and their auxiliaries were present, coming from as far east as Wilmington, and as far west as Shelby.

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The Rev. K. P. Battle, State president, delivered the Sunday morning sermon at the Hayes-Taylor YMCA. He also presided over the business meetings and was assisted by Mrs. Letitia Smith of Hickory, State Daughter Elks president.

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ROUNDER L. LEDWELL, exalted ruler of Old North State, W. E. Hooker, district deputy, Odessa Gore, past daughter ruler of the temple, brought greetings on behalf of the host lodges.

E. M. Butler, secretary of the state association, was commended for the manner in which he had conducted the office since his election last May.

The Rev. Mr. Battle pledged the state association to a $500 life membership in the NAACP, and pledged a further contribution to the Oxford Orphanage.

W. E. Davis was named new major general of the southern division of Elks in the antlered guard department whose state meeting will be Oct. 14 in Wilson. Leroy Barnes of Greenville was named to succeed Davis as brigadier general of the state.

Miss Rhoena Brown of Washington, N.C., reported the raising of $307 for the Shrine department and the John Brown Farm cottage program. She has raised $300 or more for each of the last several years.

Elks Award 47 Scholarships

PHILADELPHIA. — (ANP) — George W. Lee, grand commissioner of education for the Elks, announced last week that the organization awarded 47 scholarships for the 1955-56 school year.

Lee also revealed a three-point program on public education approved by Robert H. Johnson, grand exalted ruler. The program is designed to:

1. Increase favorable opinion towards the Supreme Court decision on education in public schools by enlisting goodwill to neutralize prejudice.

2. Provide scholarships for underprivileged young men and women without regard to race, color, religion or creed.

3. Give assistance to students in states where parents are suffering from economic boycotts.

"The integrated program for our oratorical contests worked exceedingly well on all levels from local to state and regional," Lee said.

"For the first time in a half century, a young white high school student was the winner of the Elks National oratorical contest held in Atlantic City last August.

"William S. Lisenmeyer of Phoenix, Ariz., came out first among seven contestants in one of the most heated and colorful contests ever held," Lee said.

One of the scholarships given to aid persons suffering from economic boycotts went to Bruce Carver Boynton of Selma, Ala., to enable him to complete his senior year at Fisk university.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Boynton, who were active in getting Negroes in Alabama to register and vote.

At a hearing here last Tuesday, Judge Fred L. Wham of federal court informed Jones he must plead guilty if the Mississippi court and the court here agree to the transfer of the case.

Jones said he was ready to sign the transfer papers and, in effect, pleaded guilty to the charge.

Judge Wham informed Jones' attorney, Billy Jones, his client would be permitted to make a statement which would become part of the probation officer's pre-sentencing investigation records.

Negro Elks Act Wisely

Tennessee's Negro Elks have just held a three-day convention in Memphis and they spoke and acted wisely in regard to the problems inherent in efforts for integration. They strongly advocated that members of their race avoid haste and violence in any moves toward an altered status and rely on the ballot and on evidences of willingness and ability to recognize and accept civic responsibilities.

There could hardly be a sharper or more useful contrast than that between the stand taken by the Negro Elks and the measures advocated by certain demagogues who have attempted to use Memphis as a sounding board for circulation of their extreme views. It is gratifying that such extremists are recognized as agitators chiefly concerned with serving their selfish purposes.

Untoward incidents in Detroit and Chicago, among others, have proved that force will not work to provide any orderly or acceptable changes in a social order. The hope of the Negro in attaining his ambition to emerge from the situation some of his spokesmen are pleased to call "second-class citizenship" lies in comprehension of obligation to improve through education and to make larger contributions to progress.

GEORGE W. LEE of Memphis, announcing a campaign against ignorance and for adult education, as well as scholarships for capable young people, called the turn when he said that until "Negroes are willing to accept the full responsibility of first-class citizenship there is little need of whining about second-class citizenship." Realistic and moderate views of that kind will win greater favor and accomplish greater results than anything else.

Elks to Cite Postmaster

WASHINGTON — Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield will receive the John Brown Gallery of Fame citation from the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World, George W. Lee, Memphis, Tenn., head of the organization's department of education, announced.

The award, Lee stated, will be presented to the Postmaster General in recognition of the Post Office Department's outstanding achievements during 1955 in implementing the President's employment policies, and the unprecedented up-grading of minority group postal employes into new categories of high-level job opportunities.

The citation will be presented at the Elks' third annual Education for Citizenship Dinner, Sunday, Jan. 29, at 7:30 P. M., at the O. V. Catto Lodge Auditorium, Philadelphia. The Postmaster General will be the principal speaker. Other guest speakers will include United States Senator James H. Duff of Pennsylvania, Hon. Richard Dilworth, Mayor of Philadelphia, and Atty. James B. Cobb, Washington, D. C., president of the National Alliance of Postal Employees.

—BIGGEST and the BEST—

Ala. Elks Meet In Mobile

MOBILE, Ala. — The Alabama State Association of Elks, IBPOE of W, has concluded its 29th annual meeting at Mobile, Ala. Gulf City Lodge and Temple were the hosts.

Attending were Grand Organizer Herbert Jones, Grand Director of Civil Liberties Hobson Reynolds, Grand Traveling Inspector Ernest Thomas, and the state president, Cockrane of Mississippi. The Grand Director of Beauty and Talent P. M. Blair was also present.

The following officers were elected for the new year: E. J. Wright, state president; J. A. Wilhite, first vice; Marion Lee, second vice; Eugene Powell, third vice; R. A. Carter, secretary; A. E. Fews, recording secretary; L. E. Jackson, treasurer; James Bryant, esquire; Douglas Gill, assistant esquire; James Stewart, inner guard; DeHart Green, tiler; James Harper, chaplain; Dr. J. G. Hardy, educational director; Sanford B. McKenzie, publicity director.

The association will meet again in 1957 in Montgomery, Ala.

Elks Plan $100,000 Student Aid

Bruce Boynton, whose father's business had been closed by a boycott of citizens council-

Elks Launch $100,000 Fund For Scholarships

Memphis, Tenn., July 23 — Elks' Department has launched from Memphis a $100,000 scholarship fund campaign, the most ambitious campaign in the 57 years of the fraternal organization.

George W. Lee, Grand Commissioner of Education for the 500,000 member organization, said: "The first group of an eventual 25,000 letters of appeal have been mailed to each Elk and Daughter Elk asking a contribution of a dollar to the crusade for freedom in education, and to make more scholarships available to aid students who are suffering from the blight of poverty or the lack of opportunity."

The drive will end Aug. 23 when outstanding leaders in the crusade will be presented at the National Oratorical contest in Los Angeles, Calif.

The Department of Education, organized 27 years ago under the leadership of Judge William C. Hueston, has raised $1,500,000 and granted over 800 scholarships.

Lee said that the scholarship roll for 1956 included 49 students white and Negro, who are attending some of the outstanding universities of America.

Elks Plan $100,000 Scholarship Fund

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To promote the campaign, which is the most ambitious in the 57 year history of the fraternal organization, George W. Lee, grand commissioner of education for the 500,000 member organization, said "The first group of an eventual 250,000 letters of appeal have been mailed." P. 1.

THE DEPARTMENT of Education, organized 27 years ago under the leadership of Judge William C. Hueston and which has raised over a million and a half dollars for scholarships, will ask each Elk and daughter Elk to contribute a dollar to make more scholarships available. The scholarships go to aid students who are suffering from "the blight of poverty or the lack of opportunity."

The basis of their selection, said Mr. Lee has not been upon "friendship or the membership of their parents in the Order, but rather upon human needs."

TO STEP UP the drive, the secretarial personnel has been increased and the mailing assignments are carried on around the clock.

The drive will end August 23 when outstanding leaders in the crusade for freedom in education will be presented at the national oratorical contest in Los Angeles, Calif. P. 2

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AMONG THE recipients of Elk scholarships in recent years are Ethel Louis Belton, Spottswood T. Bolling, Jr., Dorothy Davis, Harry Briggs, Jr., and Linda Brown. Each received a grant of $1,000 for their long legal fight which led to the Supreme Court decision outlawing segregation in public schools.

Other such grants were made to Miss Autherine Lucy for her fight to enter the University of Alabama and to

Elk Oratory Is Set For Tuskegee July 15

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — The 26th annual Region V Elks Oratorical Contest is now announced for Sunday afternoon, July 15, at Tuskegee Institute.

At this contest there will be the competitive participation of the state winners from the six states of Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and Texas.

KANSAS CITIAN WINS ELKS ORATORICAL CONTEST.—The Missouri State Elks oratorical contest was won by Miss Dorothy Cargile, a student at the Lincoln high school in Kansas City. She was adjudged winner over four other contestants at the state contest held Sunday night, June 17, at the Metropolitan A.M.E. Zion church. Left to right: James A. Jeffress, local chairman of the Elks education committee; Miss Cargile; Daughter Mamie Donaldson of St. Louis, state directress of education; Maxine Carr, St. Louis, who won second place, and Miss Jo Ann Jamerson of Kansas City, guest speaker on the program. As state winner, Miss Cargile will receive an all-expense trip to Sioux City, Iowa, to compete in the Mid-west oratorical contest to be held on June 25. The Mid-west winner will be awarded a $1,000 scholarship and will be eligible to compete in the national contest the winner of which receives a four-year scholarship to the school of his choice.

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Held In 400 Cities In '56

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MEMPHIS — The current oratorical contest sponsored by the Elks Department of Education is about to come to an end, it was announced last week.

Contest were held in some 400 cities in the United States with high school pupils speaking on the Negro and the Constintution to combined audiences of about 250,000 persons.

The contest program was integrated on local, state and regional levels, according to George W. Lee, grand commissioner, said.

For the first time in a half century of Elkdom a young white high school studene, William S. Lisenmeyer of Pheonix, Arizona, was certified as winner of the Seventh Regional Contest held in Los Angeles in 1955. He went on to win the National Elks Oratorical Contest held in Atlantic City Aug. 29, 1955. He is now a student at Georgetown University.

Dean Joseph A. Sellinger, S. J., in a letter to Lee said:

"Once again we here at Georgetown would like to express our sincere gratitude to you, Mr. Lee, for the financial assistance which you are extending to this young man. His industry and seriousness of mind indicates how clearly he appreciates what you are doing for him."

Dr. H. W. Hunter, Director of Regional Three announces the winner of the contest held in Gary, Indiana is a Jewish boy. Stephen B. Cohen of East Chicago, Ind. This will mark the first time since the Department of Education was organized that a Jewish boy has won a regional contest.

He will go to Los Angeles in August to take part in the National Elks Oratorical and will be granted a $1,000 scholarship.

This is a part of the scholarship program in which efforts are being made to raise a $100,000 fund through an appeal to the Elks members and their families and friends asking contributions of one dollar to aid in the crusade for freedom in education and to make more scholarships available to help students who are suffering from the blight of poverty or the lack of opportunity.

Highest Elk honor given Carl Murphy, president of AFRO

Afro-American Baltimore Md. Sat. 8-4-56

PHILADELPHIA (NNPA) — Carl Murphy, president and board chairman of the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers, was named this week to receive the highest honor which the Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World can bestow upon a member.

The title of past grand exalted ruler of the order will be conferred upon Dr. Murphy on Wednesday, August 29, at the 57th annual grand lodge of the Elks in Los Angeles.

In announcing Dr. Murphy's selection for the honor, Robert H. Johnson, Elks' grand exalted ruler, said:

"For a number of years, as editor, publisher, educator and a great crusader for full freedom, Dr. Murphy has been the source of great contributions to American life. He has been a great champion of the people."

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Extra Session M. W. King Hiram Grand Lodge At Quitman, June 10-11

Delegates To Biennial Session Of General Grand Masonic Congress To Be Named

The M. W. King Hiram Grand Lodge, Colored, A. F. & A. M. and Electa Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star were invited to hold their Extra Session as the guest of Pride Lodge No. 64 at Quitman, Miss., June 10-11, 1956. This is our first session to be held in this section of the State, therefore, we are expecting delegates and visitors from all Subordinate Lodges and Chapters of our Jurisdiction to join us.

The meeting will open at high noon with a big street parade with three of the state's leading bands to furnish music. The line of march will begin at the Shelly Owens High School, located 45 South.

The Annual Sermon will be delivered by Rev. W. T. Smith, 32nd Grand Chaplain of Moses Grand Royal Arch Chapter on Sunday following the parade. Special feature on the program, Address by Ill. Nathaniel Stubbs, 33rd, Grand Master, one of the best informed Masonic leaders in the State. Others to appear on program are: Ill. Clarence Winters, 33rd, Grand Secretary; Rev. A. L. Pettigrew 32nd, W. M.; Mrs. Ora M. Reese Grand Matron; Mrs. A. G. Randolph, M. A. G. M., and Ill. N. H. Harness, 33rd, R. W. Grand Senior Warden.

Stringer Masonic Grand Lodge Eastern Stars In 66th Annual Session Here

Scholarship Winners Named Following Oratorical Contest

The Bathsheba Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, affiliate of the M. W. Stringer Masonic Grand Lodge of the state held its 66th annual session here this week at the Masonic Temple.

The three days session, Monday thru Wednesday was attended by a large group of delegates and members from subordinate chapters throughout the state.

One of the outstanding features of the session, emphasizing one of the principal purposes of the order was the oratorical contest Monday night which saw five high school students, the winners in the contest award — scholarship to aid them in completing their college education. The winners and the amount of their awards are listed as follows, First prize, Louise Marie Russell, Meridian, $150, Second Prize, Louise Thedford, Portersville, $125; third prize, Lillian E. Reddix, Ocean Springs, $115, fourth prize, Emma R. Cooper, Lessley, $100, fifth prize, Dorothy J. Gaither, Booneville, $95.

A welcome program Tuesday night included such well known local citizens Rev. S. L. Webb, Pastor, Central Methodist Church, Atty Jack H. Young, Mrs. Rosa Robinson, H. H. Young, head of the Knights of Pythians of the state, E. W. Bank, Peoples Funeral Home, and Rev. C. A. Greer, Pastor, Farish Street Baptist Church.

The annual sermon of the session was delivered by Rev. E. D. Barnes, Pastor, St. Elmo M. B. Church of Laurel.

Knights of Pythias Annual Sermon

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To Be Held Sunday Afternoon at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

All Subordinate Courts of Calanthes of the City of Nashville will join in with their Brother Knights of Pythias, Sunday, April 8, 1956 at 3:00 p.m. to enjoy the Annual Thanksgiving Sermon to be held at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, 37th Avenue, N. and Albion Street.

Due to the History of this Great Outstanding organization consisting of Brother Knights and Sister Calanthes all of which will gather on this great occasion along with an endless number of friends and admirers, this program promises to be one of the greatest occasions of the year.

The sermon will be preached by Rev. Wm. A. Alexander, the pastor of the Church. Along with the sermon there will be a program consisting of some of the very best music and singing and other numbers coming from the Sister Calanthes, Sir Knights and other outstanding talent.

The Public is cordially invited to attend this outstanding occasion.

Kt. Geo. Anderson, Grand Deputy

Calanthe A. B. Washington, Grand Deputy

A. T. Walden Reelected To Head Pythians

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MACON, Ga. — The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Georgia of which Atty. A. T. Walden is Grand Chancellor held its annual session in Macon on Monday, July 9. On the preceding afternoon a half mile parade of Pythias and Calantheans, Uniform Rank and Juveniles marched through the downtown section of the city, led by the Ben Shorter band of Cuthbert. The parade called forth much favorable comments from the spectators.

On Monday the business sessions were held at the American Woodman's Hall while the Grand Court Order of Calanthe held its sessions at Tremont Temple Baptist Church. In the absence of the Grand Worthy Counsellor, Mrs. Geneva Bumgabrooks, the Supreme Worthy Counsellor, Sir. A. G. Gaston of Birmingham, Ala., presided. The Grand Court likewise held a successful session

Grand Chancellor Walden reported that during the past twelve months there had been a twenty-five per cent increase in the Pythian membership. The enthusiasm was high. Many progressive measures and programs were adopted by the Grand Lodge. It was the best and most largely attended Grand Lodge in recent years.

The following of the Grand Lodge were elected:

Atty. A. T. Walden, Grand Chancellor; J. H. Hightower, Atlanta, Grand Vice Chancellor; Luther Taylor, Atlanta, Grand Keeper of Record and Seal; John Harden, Atlanta, Grand Master of Exchequer; Rev. A. E. Peacock, Savannah, Grand Prelate; J. L. Owens, Atlanta, Grand Inner Guard; Ben T. Shorter, Cuthbert; Grand Outer Guard; Arthur E. Turner, Atlanta, Past Grand Chancellor; J. S. Page of Atlanta, former Grand Keeper of Record and Seal, was elected GKRS Emeritus.

J. B. Bigham of Atlanta, former Grand Master of Exechequer, was elected GME Emeritus.

The 1957 session of the Grand Lodge will be held at Cuthbert, Ga.

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ONE OF THE features of the convention included the awarding of a $100 scholarship to Miss Sandra Kennard of Rochester. Another will be awarded in NYC.

Other officers elected were Arthur Elliott, vice chancellor; Henry Medlock, prelate; D. W. Derham, master of exchequer; J. Preston Cumberbatch, reserve fund secretary-treasurer; Henry De Jan, auditor; D. W. Simmons, lecturer; Dr. Willis G. Price, medical registrar; G. Wilbur Clark, organ-

N.Y. Knights Pythias elect Coles chancellor

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. — George E. Cole of Buffalo, N.Y., last week was elected chancellor of the State Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias at the organization's 67th annual convention here.

Holding meetings simultaneously with the lodge was its auxiliary, Grand Court Order Calanthe. Mrs. Edith H. Brown, was re-elected grand counsellor to head the auxiliary.

The organization opened its four - day meeting with religious services at Memorial AMEZ Church, Favor and Spring Sts., and closed with a public session at M. Olivet Baptist Church at 137 Adams St.

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OTHER GRAND court officers are Mesdames Mabel M. Johnson, inspector; Florence Bates, inspectrix; Odessa Grand, orator; Leonara P. Simmons, secretary-treasurer; endowment department; Leola Bridgeford, court secretary - treasurer.. Viola Harris, conductress; Mamie O. Davis, assistant conductress;

Mesdames Estella Kemp, senior directress; Lillian McNeely, junior directress; Marie Millard, escort; Hazel Thomas, herald; Nellie Guishard, protector; Dr. Hyacinth Davis, medical doctor; Estella Johnson, juvenile matron; Jessie Walker, lecturer;

And trustees include Mesdames Georgianna Izzard, Rose P. Payton, and Eugenia Crigmile. Mary Merrit is chorister of the Calanthian Choir.

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and seals; Edward Izzard, master of arms; C. L. Davis, marshall; Theodore Fraser, inner guard; and ist; U. S. Scott, keeper of records Dewey McGovan, outer guard;

Grand trustees elected are Marion Simmons, Vincent Cumberbatch and B. Franklin Bundy. Harold W. Clark was named press and public relations director.

National Pythians Jubilant Over Hotel and Bathhouse

By C. W. Hall

HOT SPRINGS, Ark.—Pythian Grand Chancellors from sixteen of the state jurisdictions and Grand Worthy Councellors from seventeen of the states in the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias expressed great satisfaction at the results of the modernizing and remodeling job done on the national property, the Pythian Hotel and Bathhouse, during their two day meeting here October 19-20.

They were gathered in their biennial session held in each off year between meetings of the Supreme Lodge under the direction of Supreme Chancellor R. A. Hester of Dallas, Texas and Vice-Supreme Chancellor A. G. Gaston of Birmingham, Ala., during which they held workshops looking toward the perfection of membership campaigns, the coordination of local lodges and courts with grand lodges and the development of the juvenile work. Meeting also was the Bathhouse commission directed by Dr. George D. Flemings of Ft. Worth, Texas, its chairman.

The report of Supreme Chancellor Hester and the Bathhouse commission showed that the total cost of work to date had been $139,512 including furnishings. totalled more than $40,000 during the past year. Outstanding obligations included a ten-year mortgage and other accounts payable on a monthly basis well within the ability of the Supreme Lodge to handle.

One of the features of the financing which brought applause from both men and women was the report of the payment of principal and interest on old and outstanding bonds placed against the national property by a former administration and long ago considered lost by the various jurisdictions which had underwritten the bonds by their purchase. Although many bonds had been lost and misplaced through the trustee, a Hot Springs bank, each jurisdiction was able to make bond to protect the trustee and each received face value and accrued interest on all bonds of record.

The pleasure of the national Pythian leaders at the close of this report of Supreme Chancellor Hester was shown by the payment in Hot Springs of an additional $3,000 in voluntary contributions from several of the jurisdictions but by the promise of the Grand Worthy Councellors that in addition to moneys already pledged toward the remodeling, they intended to raise a sum sufficient to employ an artist to paint murals on lobby and hall walls as an aid to greatert beautification.

Hot Springs Mayor Praises Work at Banquet

The social event of the meeting was a brilliant banquet held in the recreation room and roof garden of the hotel. More than 100 grand chancellors and grand worthy counselors and leading Pythians of Arkansas and neighboring states partook of a sumptuous repast and heard Mayor Floyd Housley of Hot Springs praise the "spirit and vision of this organization which, at the same time that it has made practical a health program for its members in all parts of America, has also given to Hot Springs another reason to advertise itself as the leading resort in America."

Present also was Wm. Maschmeyer, the contractor who actually did the work of renovation. A telegram of congratulation was received from W. A. Swanson, architect, who was unable to be present. Dr. George Flemings of Ft. Worth, Texas, chairman of the Bathhouse commission in the special message of the evening paid tribute to the founding fathers of the order at the same time that he urged "all of us who live in this day and who are gathered here to celebrate this great achievement, must somehow get the vision of still greater things that we can and must do. Greater dreams of developing our order must make us feel capable of greater accomplishments. This should be but the beginning of greater effort to do, both in the supreme lodge and in our state jurisdictions, the type of things which will add to the progress of themselves and the communities in which we live."

Supreme Chancellor Hester in a brief statement, thanked the jurisdictions for their help in "making this dream of a living program come partially true. It must become true that we learn to live more in the future, dream more largely of ways in which this order may serve not only our day and time but the days that are to come."

Listed as present from the various Calanthean jurisdictions were Grand Worthy Counselors, Mesdames Sally Taylor, Alabama; Gertrude McCoy, Arkansas; Irene Sims, California ;Rose Hoard, Illinois; Maude E. Gray, Illinois; Luna H. Lane, Indiana; Susie Hobbs, Kansas; Virginia Williams, Louisiana; Hattie Pierce, Maryland; Lena Holmes, Michigan; Josephine Truehart, Missouri; Estella Young, Mississippi; Lula Acres, New Jersey; Lola Mack, West Virginia; P. D. Johnson, Texas; Adline Terrell, Ohio; Maud Brockway, Oklahoma.

Grand chancellors and grand lodge officers listed were: R. A. Hester, supreme chancellor and grand chancellor of Texas; R. A. Dreisbach, Florida; Eugene Beck, Illinois, also councilman for Evanston, Ill.; Albert Jenkins, Indiana; S. A. Burnley, supreme attorney and grand chancellor of Kentucky; Rev. Samuel A. Nixon, supreme prelate and grand chancellor of Louisiana; J. Will Cooper, supreme keeper records and seals and grand chancellor of Michigan; William Tennell, Missouri; A. B. Broady, New Jersey; John A. Mebane, North Carolina; Forest W. Thomas, Ohio; R. W. English, Oklahoma; W. D. Lewis, Tennessee; Eugene W. West, Virginia; A. G. Gaston, supreme vice chancellor and grand chancellor of Alabama; Dr. George F. Flemings, chairman, bathhouse commission, Texas; and Atty. R. McGriff, member, bathhouse commission, Florida.

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Pythians Jubilant

By L. M. BECKETT

At the regular monthly meeting of the Knights and Calanthas held Sun., Nov. 11th at Calantha Home, 560 Columbus Ave., Boston and presided over by Dr. W. O. Taylor, Grand Chancellor K. of P., a letter was read from Supreme Chancellor Sir R.A. Hester, of Dallas, Texas, giving the highlights of the Grand Chancellors and Grand Worthy Councellors Council which was held in Hot Springs, Ark., Oct. 19-20, 1956.

They gathered in their biennial session held in each off year between the meetings of the Supreme Lodge under direction of Supreme Chancellor R.A. Hester and Vice Chancellor A.G. Gaston, Birmingham, Ala. during which they held workshops looking torward the perfection of membership campaigns, the coordination of local lodges and courts with Grand lodges and the development of juvenile work.

The report from the Supreme Chancellor and Dr. George D. Flemings, Bath House Commission director, showed that the total cost to date for the work and furnishings was $139,512. The Grand Chancellor thanked both the men and women for their voluntary contributions which totaled more than $40,000 during the past year. The members present were so elated they paid an additional $3000 (three thousand dollars) while in Hot Springs.

The Grand Worthy Councellors promised in addition to monies already pledged toward the remodeling to raise sufficient monies to employ an artist to paint murals on lobby and hall walls as an aid to greater beautification.

The banquet, attended by Mayor Floyd Housley of Hot Springs and one hundred Grand Chancellors, Grand Worthy Councellors and leading Pythians of Arkansas and neighboring states, was held on the roof garden of the Pythian Hotel. The Mayor praised the organization's foresight in purchasing the Hotel property many years ago, the good it has done and can do for the members and others all over America, and gives Hot Springs another reason for advertising itself as the leading resort in America.

Wm. Masch Meyer, the contractor who actually did the work of renovation was present and a telegram of congratulation was received from W.A. Swanson, architect, who was unable to be present.

The Supreme Chancellor thanked the Jurisdictions for their help in making a dream come true and asked them to work not only for the present but for the days to come.

Prince Hall Masons Present Citation to Polia Foundation

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — A citation pledging complete support of 400,000 members of the Prince Hall Masons for the 1957 March of Dimes was presented today to Basil O'Connor, president of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

The presentation was made by Amos T. Hall of Tulsa, Okla., president of the Conference of Grand Masters of Prince Hall Masons, at a National Foundation conference of leading volunteers from 48 states.

Other members of the Conference of Grand Masters attending the presentation ceremony were Emerson Harvey of Phoenix, Ariz. and Archie Murray of Los Angeles, Calif.

In making the presentation, Mr. Hall stated that the "right to walk without affliction is essential to everyone's freedom. Funds to complete the fight against polio must be raised in the 1957 March of Dimes. There can be no relaxation in our efforts to aid those who were born too soon to be protected by the Salk vaccine"

Mr. O'Conner accepted the citation "in the name of the great army of consecrated volunteers who planned a miracle—development of a preventive for paralytic polio."

The Polia Foundation president said that "Prince Hall Masons, along with most other great organizations, will participate in a new concept of action against scourges of mankind until unconditional surrender of polio has been won. The fight against this crippler must continue with the total resources at our command."

Prince Hall Masons in Kansas win court fight over emblem

KANSAS CITY, Kans. (ANP) — Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Kansas and jurisdiction, F. and A.M., won a legal victory here last week when four members of the Scottish Rite Masonic body were convicted on charges of wearing illegally emblems and other insignia of the Prince Hall group.

Found guilty were: H. B. Turner, grand master of the Scottish Rite lodge; P. C. Copeland, head of St. John Lodge, Dodge City, Kansas; P. L. Monser and Arthur L. Sweeney, members.

The verdict was reached in Judge Harry G. Miller's third division of district court.

The prosecution based its case on a law passed by the Kansas legislature in 1853 which requires lodges to register with the secretary of state and forbids them to wear insignia which had not been used for 25 years or more.

Most Worshipful P. G. Porter, grand master of Prince Hall Masons, said the outcome of the first test case under the 1853 statute, was only the first step to get rid of bogus Masonry in Kansas.

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ACTIVE IN THE prosecution were William H. Towers, deputy grand master of the order, Kansas City, Kansas, and P.A. Townsend, grand attorney for the lodge. Topeka.

The controversy between the two lodges began a year ago when Most Worshipful P. G. Porter, Grand Master of Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Kansas, F. and A.M. signed a complaint against the Scottish Rite Masons.

Records show that Prince Hall Masonry in Kansas dates back to 1875 through 1895 as an unincorporated fraternal association. On August 8, 1895 Kansas Masons were granted a charter and the body became legally known as Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

On May 10, 1951, the original charter was amended to change the name to Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Kansas. Masonic leaders state that their organization is the one and only source of legitimate colored Masonic lodges in Kansas.

Kansas Masons received authority and exclusive rights to raise Masons in Kansas directly from the charter issued to Prince Hall in 1784 by the Mother Grand Lodge of England, F. and A.M.

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TOP OFFICIALS OF THE YORKRITE MASONS were photographed Sunday as they gathered here to start the 91st Annual session. They are, left to right: H. L. Brooks, deputy grand master; W. H. Odom, grand senior warden, of Macon; Clim Davenport, grand master of Atlanta; Charles E. Newman, grand junior warden; Rev. J. W. Queen, grand secretary; and Rev. F. F. Cook, grand Joshua, of Augusta. — (Photo by Lowe)

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Yorkrite Masons Reelect Officers

By THADDEUS T. STOKES

Clim Davenport was re-elected grand master of the Free Ancient and Accepted Yorkrite Masons of the Georgia jurisdiction Monday the second day of the 91st annual convention. All other officers were unanimously re-elected also. They are:

H. L. Brooks, deputy grand master; W. N. Odom, grand senior warden; Charles Newman, grand junior warden; H. D. Bowen, grand treasurer; Rev. E. M. Graham, chaplain; George Matthews, grand tyler; D. T. Jackson, grand senior deacon; H. C. Brooks, grand junior deacon, T. A. Bryant, grand senior steward.

More than 694 Smooth Ashlar lodges and courts were represented in the new Masonic Temple on Piedmont Ave. This is the first convention held in the new structure, which was completed in April at a cost of $150,000.

The four-day convention was kicked-off with a parade Sunday afternoon. The estimated 2,000 delegates paraded from the Smooth Ashlar Temple on Piedmont Ave. to Houston Ave. to Boulevard down Auburn Ave. to the City Auditorium, where the first Public session of the convention was held.

Making a welcoming address, Lee Evans, representing Mayor William B. Hartsville, said, by 1960 Atlanta is expected to have a population of a million or more, according to the current rate of increase.

Col. A. T. Walden, in a response speech said Atlanta is the fastest growing city in the south.

Other speakers included L. D. Milton, president of the Citizens Trust Co.; Rev. E. W. McMillan, Rev. L. A. Pinkston, Jesse O. Thomas.

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Winners in an oratorical contest also held Sunday evening, were Miss Willie Dean Moore, of Howard high school, first place; Miss Elizabeth Thomas, of Covington, second place and Miss Vivian Barnwell of Hiram, third place. Fourteen competed for the annual trophy. All of the contestants had won a $200 district scholarship award.

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Rev. A. S. Dickerson, chairman of the educational committee, said that more than $13,000 had been awarded to high school students in scholarship, during the last three years.

Butcher, noted educator of Washington; Imperial Potentate Booker T. Alexander of Detroit, Atty. Edith Sampson of Chicago, guest speaker, and daughter Ercelle H. Moore, imperial commandress, Daughter of Isis.—Cabell Photo.

Open Shrine Conclave—

Guests during the first public meeting of the Shriners' Convention in Washington were outstanding fraternal and civic leaders. Shown left to right: Dr. Margaret Just

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Shriners Re-Elect Alexander To Serve 2nd Term As Imperial Potentate

Deposit $55,000 Fund To Increase Trust And Confidence In Negro Business

Washington, D. C., Sept. 10.—Initial deposits totaling $55,000 designated for 12 Negro banks across the country and $4000 in scholarship awards to five contestants in the annual Talent and Beauty Pageant were the outstanding accomplishments of the recent 55th annual convention of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine here.

Imperial Potentate Booker Alexander, re-elected to serve second term, indicated that t $55,000 deposits were made to " crease confidence and trust" Negro businesses.

A New York beauty, Miss Nor Cobb, was crowned "Miss Shri Princess" receiving a $1500 sch arship and a huge first pl trophy.

Miss Sheila Peters, daughter Mr. and Mrs. Sortez W. Pete Washington, D. C., won seco place and a $1000 scholarship. T remaining $1500 and individu trophies went to Miss Gail Thom third place, of Philadelphia; Mi Geraldine Hesson, fourth place, Buffalo, N. Y., and Miss Mary Je Patterson, fifth place, of Birmin ham, Ala.

All trophies were contributed The Coca-Cola Company, of A lanta, Ga., and presented to t winners by Moss H. Kendrix, we known D. C. public relations ma during the Grand Ball attended 5000 people.

An estimated 150,000 peop

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Officers Of Yorkrite

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Court Named Here

Atlanta, Ga.

BY THADDEUS T. STOKES

The 1956-57 officers of three divisions of the Smooth Ashlar Free, Ancient and Accepted Yorkrite Court (Women's Division) were elected, Monday, during the second day of the 91st annual convention of the Georgia jurisdiction. Officers were elected in the Eastern Star branch, Heroines of Jericho, and Daughters of Isis.

Mrs. Mildred J. Fielder was re-elected grand most ancient matron of the Heriones of Jericho. Also returned to office were:

Miss Tiller, deputy grand most ancient matron; Mrs. Anna Ruth Lemons, grand senior matron; Mrs. Ida Jones, grand treasurer; Mrs. Nellie Bryant, grand secretary; Mrs. Roberts Bowman, grand inter-gate keeper; Mrs. Lukie Armar, outer-gate keeper; and Rev. F. F. Cook, grand Joshua.

Elected head of the Daughter of Isis was Mrs. Freddie R. Wortham of Newnan. Other officers were:

Mrs. Roberta Bowman of Macon, grand first lieutenant commandress; Mrs. Buehler Hunter, grand second lieutenant commandress; Mrs. Martha Weems, grand imperial treasurer; Miss Evelyn Tiller, grand imperial recorder; Mrs. Marion Scott, grand first cermonial daughter; Mrs. Ollie Radley, grand second cermonial daughter; Mrs. Ruth Lemmons, grand high priestess; Mrs. Queen Esther Brooks, grand oriental guide; Miss Francis Winn of Macon, grand inside spy; Mrs. Fannie Neal, of Newnan, grand outside spy.

Elected to the highest office in the Eastern Star was Mrs. Anna Ruth Lemmons, grand worthy matron; Other offices were fill by:

Mrs. Quennie Cooks, grand associate matron; Mrs. Nellie Bryant, secretary; Mrs. Carrie Wadley, Warden; and Mr. H. L. Brooks, grand matron.

Special feature of the second day's session of the lodge was the third annual report of the Educational Committee, which is direccational Committee, which is directed by Rev. A. S. Dickerson. He reported that the lodge had awarded 17 scholarships, which carried a $200 value each; and 16 scholarships at $150 each.

The report also stated that $5,800 had been granted in college scholarships to various schools throughout the U. S.

Clem Davenport, grand master, in his report stated that eight new lodge branches has been organized in Georgia during the last year.

The women's division voted to plant trees around the new $150,000 temple on Piedmont Ave., in honor to the following members for their outstanding work in the organization: Mrs. Lovett, Mrs. Bowman; Mrs. Emma Dunn; Mrs. Josephine Morris and Mrs. Fielder, who was also presented with a crown completly covered with U. S. currency.

A special tribute was paid to a former grant most Acient Matron, Mrs. C. C. Lovett of Atlanta, when she was presented to the court, Monday. Prior to 1947. She had served as head of the organization 32 years. The court presented her with a purse of $52. She is now residing at Happy Haven.

Memorial services were held at Wheat Street Baptist church, at Auburn and Yong Sts., Monday evening. Tributes were paid to the memory of 132 deceased members. Rev. O. F. Maddox, pastor of Grant's Chapel AME church in East Point, delivered the memorial sermon. Presiding at the meeting was Grand Chaplain E. N. Graham of West Point, Ga.

The Women's division held memorial service, Tuesday afternoon. The sermon was delivered by Rev. Mrs. Essie McIntyre of Augusta.

The three-day convention adjourned following the annual banquet at the Temple, last evening.

Among honored guests appearing at the convention were Earl D. Johnson, national grand secretary; Matthew Brock, grand master of Ohio; A. N. Patterson, grand master of Illinois; Charles W. Greene, Atlanta Life Insurance director of public relations; and representatives from Virginia State lodge.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Absent from the list of officers re-elected to the lodge, Monday, was the name of Rev. J. W. Queen of Atlanta, grand secretary. One of the longest memberships, memberships. He joined the lodge 51 years ago. He has held the secretary 33 years.

Eastern Star Gives Donation To Colleges

Advocate P. 1

Boston, Mass. Oct 9-22-56

New York, Sept. 17.—The United Negro College Fund received a gift this week of $500 from the Supreme Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star and its affiliates i the U. S. and Canada. The announcement was made today by W. J. Trent, Jr., executive director of the Fund.

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The contribution to the 1956 campaign of the United Negro College Fund was voted for unanimously by delegates representing 17 states at the 67th Bi-Annual Session of the Supreme Grand Chapter which was held in Orlando, Fla., in August. The Supreme Grand Chapter is affiliated with the General Board of the Masonic Congress.

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The check was presented to Trent this week at Fund headquarters, 22 East 54th Street, NYC. Officers of the organization present at the ceremonies were: Mrs. Wallie Dunn, Supreme Grand Matron; Joseph Smith, Supreme Grand Patron; Mrs. Edythe Jackson, Chairman, Supreme Youth Committee; Mrs. Naomi Smith, Secretary, Supreme Youth Committee; and Miss Essie Hardy, Supreme Secretary of Certificates.

The United Negro College Fund is currently seeking $2,000,000 nationally in support of the operating budgets of its 31 member colleges. The money raised by the Fund is used for such yearly expenses as student scholarship aid, faculty salaries and teaching equipment.

Scottish Rite Masons Mark 117th Yr. Sun.

Weekly Defender 10-13-56

New Orleans

Formal worship will mark the 117th anniversary celebration of the Supreme Council of Louisiana of the Sovereign Grand Inspector Generals of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry on Sunday, 1 p. m. at the Booker T. Washington auditorium, 1201 S. Roman Street.

Principal speaker will be the Rev. Mr. Samuel Polk, Jr., associate minister, Little Rock Baptist church.

Participants will include hymns by J. V. D. Hamilton Jr. scripture reading by the Rev. Robert Brown; greetings from Mrs. Lillian A. Loeb, grand matron Martha Grand chapter, Order of Eastern Stars and Arthur J. Chapital Sr. Grand Consistory of Louisiana; special music by the Greater St. John Baptist Church Male Chorus, benediction by the Rev. Louis Reimonena and the processional and recessional by Mrs. Anna W. Harris.

General remarks will be proceed on Earhardt to the auditorium.

Weekly

Units will include the juvenile assemblies, Martha Grand chapter, Amaranth Court, Queen of the South, Eastern Stars, Nurses Corps of Martha Grand chapter of the Order of Eastern Stars.

Also Entered Apprentices, Fellow Crafts, Master Masons, Sir Knights of the Rose Croix, Knights of Kadosh, Sublime Princes of the Royal Secrets, Sovereign Grand Inspector Generals and the Most Powerful Soverign Grand of the 32nd and 33rd Degrees.

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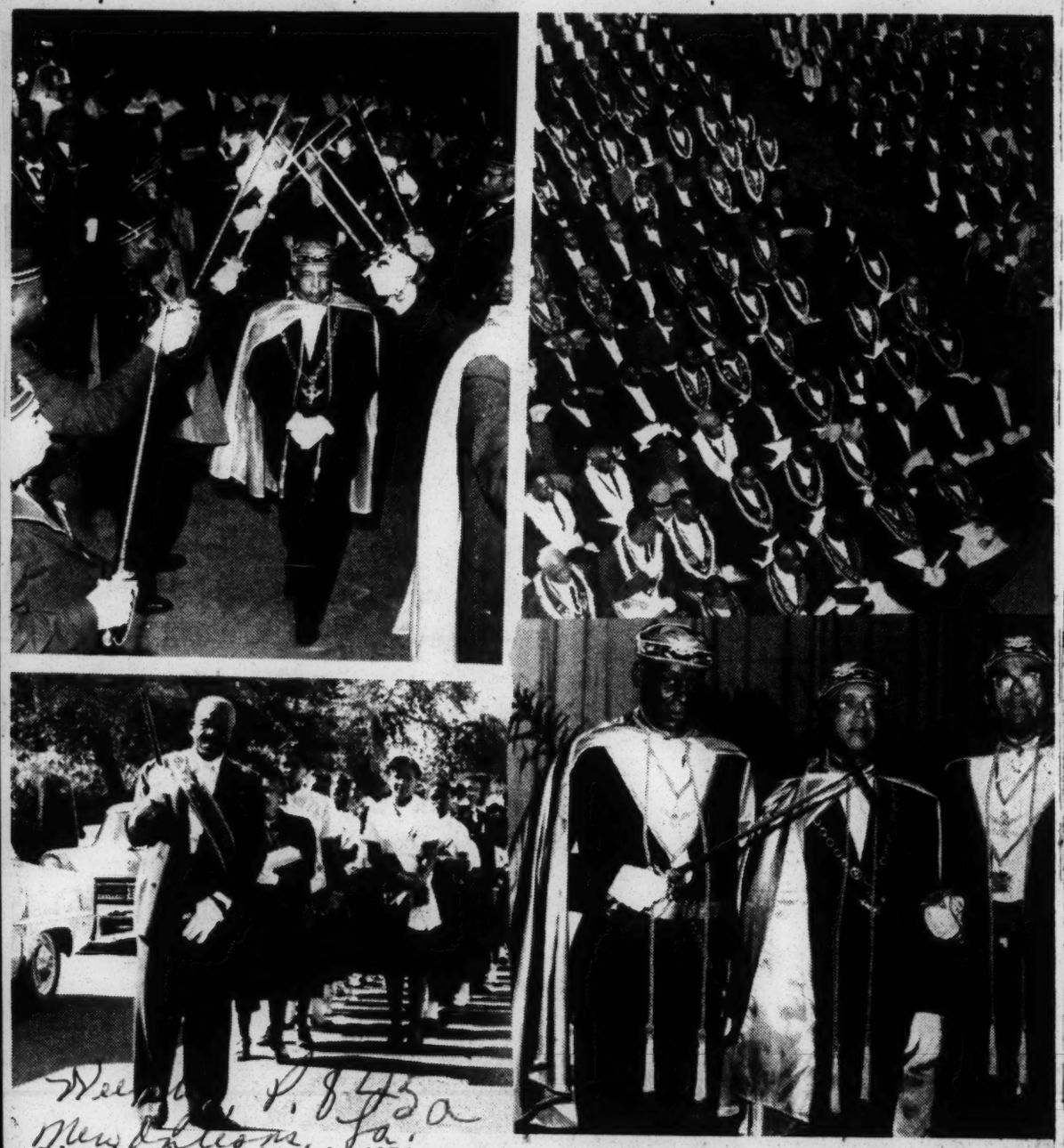
made bv George Longe, Most Powerful Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of Louisiana.

The masonic procession will leave the Rosenwald Memorial Center at 12 noon and will

Pomp And Color Mark Scottish Rite 117th Year



Solemnity characterizes the 117th anniversary celebration of the Supreme Council of Louisiana of the Sovereign Grand Inspector Generals of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rites of Freemasonry, recently in New Orleans. Photo at top left shows Grand Commander George Longe, 33rd degree, passing under the arch of steel made by the Sublime Princes of the Royal Secrets of the Grand Consistory of Louisiana. At top right is a portion of the large gathering of Masons assemble in the Booker T. Washington auditorium. Bottom left photo pictured Sublime Prince Paul Hopkins, 32nd degree, leading the members of the Sunbeam Assemblies of Juveniles of Martha Grand Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star in a procession and at the bottom right photo, Onazine Colar, 33rd, deputy inspector general for the State of New York; George Longe, grand commander and Henry Daniels, grand master of ceremonies, are pictured before a shield of crossed swords. (Photos by Marshall.)

Prince Hall Grand Lodge Wins Court Case Against 'Bogus' Group In Kansas

Efforts of the United Supreme Council of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite for the 33rd and Last Degree of Freemasonry for the Southern and Western Masonic jurisdiction, U.S.A., Grand Orient, Washington, D. C. to rival Prince Hall Grand Lodge, F. and A. M. Kansas and jurisdiction, were stopped here last week when an all-white jury, four of its members of the Masonic order, convicted four members of the Scottish Rite body for illegally wearing Masonic insignia of the Prince Hall Masonic organization.

Found guilty were H. B. Turner, Most Puissant Sovereign Grand Commander, Houston, Texas; P. C. Copeland, Dodge City, Kas., head of St. John lodge; Peter L. Menser of Kansas City, Kas., and Arthur L. Sweeney of Kansas City, Mo. Conviction carries a fine and jail sentence, under the Kansas statute.

The verdict was reached in Judge Harry G. Miller's third division of district court where the three-day trial was begun November 15. The states prosecution was based on a 1953 statute of Kansas requiring fraternal bodies to register with the secretary of state their emblems and also prohibiting the wearing of insignia by groups which had not used them 20 years or longer prior to 1953.

The state was represented by James P. Davis of the county prosecutors office along with Prentice A. Townsend of Topeka, grand attorney for Prince Hall Masons of Kansas and Attorney William H. Towers, deputy grand master of Prince Hall Grand Lodge.

The trial was followed eagerly by officers and members of local Masonic lodges.

Handling the defendents' case were Thomas E. Joyce of the law firm of Cohen, Schnider, Shamberg, Jenkins, Joyce and Ross of Kansas City, Kas., and Richard Evans of Dodge City, Kas.

Judge Miller, in instructing the jurors, pointed out that the state should prove beyond a reasonable doubt that the accused persons for purposes of misleading or deceiving the public had worn badges, insignia or other decorations similar to those used by Prince Hall grand lodge; that the organization of which the defendants were members had not made use of these lodge emblems for 25 years or more in Kansas or in other states.

The trial, ending conviction of the four men was the first legal test of the statute introduced in the Kansas legislature in 1953.

The controversy between the two lodges began a year ago when Most Worshipful P. G. Porter, grand master of Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Kansas, F. and A. M. signed a complaint against the Scottish Rite Masons.

The defendants were arrested near the Sumner Recreation Center where a parade was scheduled to start. More than a hundred men, women and children had gathered for the event.

Attorney Towers acting for Prince Hall Grand Lodge served as special prosecutor when the preliminary hearing came up before William Strohmeyer, justice of peace of Delaware township. Turner and Copeland, the leaders, were given their liberty on bonds of $500 each. Menser and Sweeney who carried banners, were freed on bonds of $200 each.

At that time Attorney Towers told the court that frequent attempts to "raid the area for members" had been made by Scottish Rite leaders.

Grand Master Porter stated this week that conviction of the defendants in this first court action represented a solid legal and moral victory for the Prince Hall Masonic order. He added this was only the beginning of a drive to eliminate all bogus Masonic groups who try to invade Kansas.

The Masonic head said he had only high commendation for the persistent and thorough legal work of Prosecutor Davis, Townsend, the grand attorney and Deputy Grand Master Towers in bringing the trial to a successful conclusion.

Mr. Townsend in a letter to Attorney Towers praised his colleague for the grand job accomplished in this first effort to break up spurious Masonic activity in the state.

Records show that Prince Hall Masonry in Kansas dates back to 1875 through 1895 as an unincorporated fraternal association. On August 8, 1895 Kansas Masons were granted a charter and the group became legally known as Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

On May 10, 1951 the original charter was amended to change the name to Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Kansas. Masonic leaders state their organization is the one and only source of legitimate Negro Masonic lodges in the state.

Kansas Masons received their authority and exclusive rights to raise Masons in Kansas directly from the charter issued to Prince Hall in 1784 by the Mother Grand Lodge of England, F. and A. M.

Supreme Council of Masons Donates $2,000 to NAACP

Afro-American Baltimore, Md
Sat. 10-27-56

OAKLAND, Calif. — The Supreme Council of Scottish Rite Masons, meeting in the 60th annual session here last week, selected Richmond, Va., for its meeting in 1957, Washington in 1958, and Kansas City in 1959.

The council voted $2,000 to the NAACP Legal Defense Fund and the same amount for the Urban League's educational project.

Other appropriations were made for the Association for the Study of Life and History, the United College Fund, Infantile Paralysis Foundation, and Virginia Union University.

The council voted to purchase a $10,000 government bond and to deposit $5.000 in the state bank at Danville, Va.

PAUL R. WILLIAMS, architect, received the Scottish Rite Medal of 1956. He was cited as one of the nation's leading architects and designers of homes.

Mr. Williams was Spingarn medalist for 1953 and winner of the Award of Merit at the New York World's Fair.

Speaking of the home-of-tomorrow, he predicted automobiles without wheels and electric washing machines operated without soap and water.

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SOVEREIGN GRAND Commander, Dr. Willard W. Allen of Baltimore, urged Masons everywhere in the South to take a firm stand on racial integration.

"There shall be no second—class citizenship," he said.

"We must work together to achieve complete equality. There shall be no backward steps, no compromise, no easy solution. We shall never give up."

The 33rd Degree delegates and visitors to the Supreme Council, Southern Jurisdiction, Scottish Rite Masons, Prince Hall Affiliation, included:

ALABAMA

R. B. Binion, Malachi Morse, S. M. Martin, W. F. Clarke and J. S. Sharpe.

ARKANSAS

W. H. Ferguson, Thomas Harris, E. M. Harris E. M. Harris, George Jackson, Soloman Richardson and L. Fayette Neely.

NORTH CAROLINA

W. Percy Carter and Fred Alexander.

SOUTH CAROLINA

J. E. Dowling.

FLORIDA

R. B. Williams, E. D. Gibson and W. M. Solomon.

GEORGIA

Thomas G. Allen, W. C. Kilpatrick Sr., W. C. Lee, Thurgood Marshall and Robert J. Walters.

CALIFORNIA

Harvey Chisom and Lillard G. Dandridge.

ILLINOIS

John C. Ellis and Robert Johnson.

KENTUCKY

Eugene F. Lacey, William H. Perry Jr., Palmer A. Wilson and G. M. Taylor.

LOUISIANA

Thomas Fuffington, E. W. Duncan, John A. Foster and John G. Lewis.

MASSACHUSETTS

T. E. A. McCurdy.

MISSOURI

O. M. Richardson, W. J. Baker, O. P. Davenport, G. Bernard Key, B. F. Small, S. E. Moore and L. L. Simpson.

MICHIGAN

Booker T. Alexander.

MISSISSIPPI

Walter Clarkand James C. Gilliam.

MARYLAND

Dr. Willard W. Allen, J. Leo Jones, Carl Murphy, C. M. Lawrence, John H. Murphy Jr., William A. Jones Alvin S. Stanley and Geo. H. Fitzhugh.

OHIO

Leland D. French.

OREGON

W. N. Ray and James W. Cantrell

OKLAHOMA

Amos T. Hall, W. M. Hopson, Albert Lee Powell, L. R. Taylor and Willie L. Worley.

PENNSYLVANIA

J. Wesley Waters.

TEXAS

J. T. Maxey, Edmund Coston, Luther Craft Sr., John Davis Jr., Steve J. Davis, R. E. Hall, E. D. Johnson L. W. Mathis Jr., R. E. White, M. L. Ward and John A. Hardee.

TENNESSEE

Leroy Moore, Charles Williams and Edward E. Crawford.

VIRGINIA

J. Frank Briscoe.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

W. H. Bailey, Norris A. G. Scott, George A. Farrar, Clifton O. Lyles, James A. Mingo, Louis W. Roy Sr., H. T. Willis, John E. Smith and B. F. Arrington.

NEW YORK

Charles E. Stewart and A. Clarence Murphy.

The honorary 33rd Degree was conferred upon the following:

CALIFORNIA

M. Talbat, Vernon Jackson, Burnie Williams, Ambrose M. Costa, Gilbert W. Cork, Aaron A. Wilson;

Philip Myles, A. R. McDonald, Hilario Cachero, Wm. E. Allen, T. R. Murphy;

John Wiley, Wyner Spencer, Alfonza Bell, Sam Mack, Alfred Stringer;

Ashbury H. Jones, Robert L. Boukknight, Warner Clow, Murdock Wilso Kirtley V. Mitchell, Leo C. Higgs;

Leon F. Marsh, Nathan Hardy, E. Al. Fulcher, Hosea Ferguson Harrison Hollowell;

Dewey Villa, Nathaniel Villia, Emmett Draper. P. C. Washington, Walter M. Harrison, Hartwell Rice;

Theo. Moss, Freeman B. Sloan, M. Cannon, H. Peart, Steve Pierce;

W. J. Taylor, H. Overton, R. G. Brown, Abundo Occasiones, Henry H Boyd.

RIVERSIDE

G. W. Garrett, E. A. Ferguson and Jerome L. Hubert.

SAN DIEGO

G. W. Garrett and John C. Stewart.

LOS ANGELES

P. J. Daniel, Tudy Douglass, Thomas W. Franklin, Charles G Grose, Charles A. Hunter;

William M. Howard, Archie W. Herbert, Wesley C. Harris, Louis H. Jones, Eddie Jones, Charles L. Jefferson, Walker Jones;

Rufus Marshall, O. H. McCormick, John Narcisse, J. E. Waller, Clarence Armour, Frank G. Alleyne, M.D.

Earl Boady, Roscoe C. Washington, Arther Evans, John L. Thompson.

CALIFORNIA

Charlie Samuel, Roy Taylor, Leroy Taylor, Lewis G. Whitfield, W. M. Wilkerson, Kieff Boult.

VISITORS

Visitors included Stanley Y. Beverley, Ernest J. Botts Charles W. Carter, W. S. Cohn, McKinley K. Courts;

W. H. Collins, Bernard L. Dillingham, Homer V. Donley, Collis Glow, Walter Miller, A. R. McDonald;

S H. Perry, John A. Payne, McKinney K. Reeves, Robert Holmes, Samuel Van Meter, Lorenzo Bowdoin;

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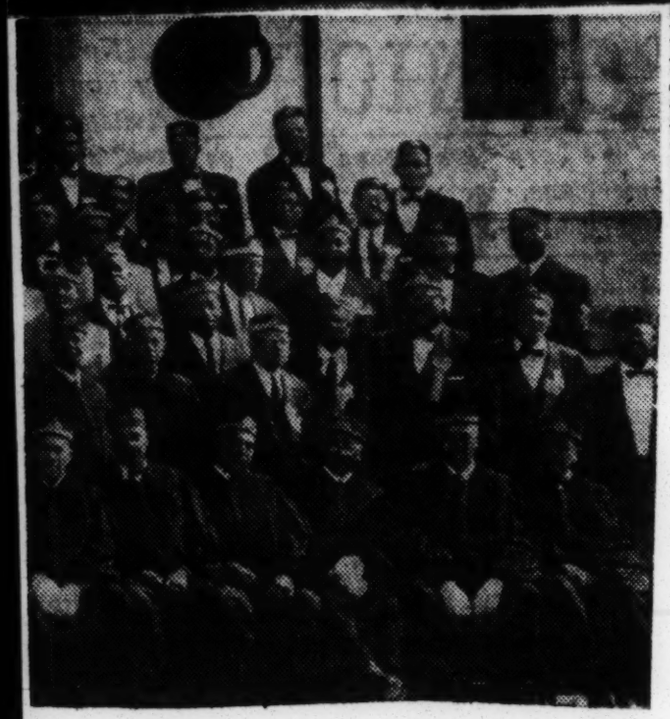
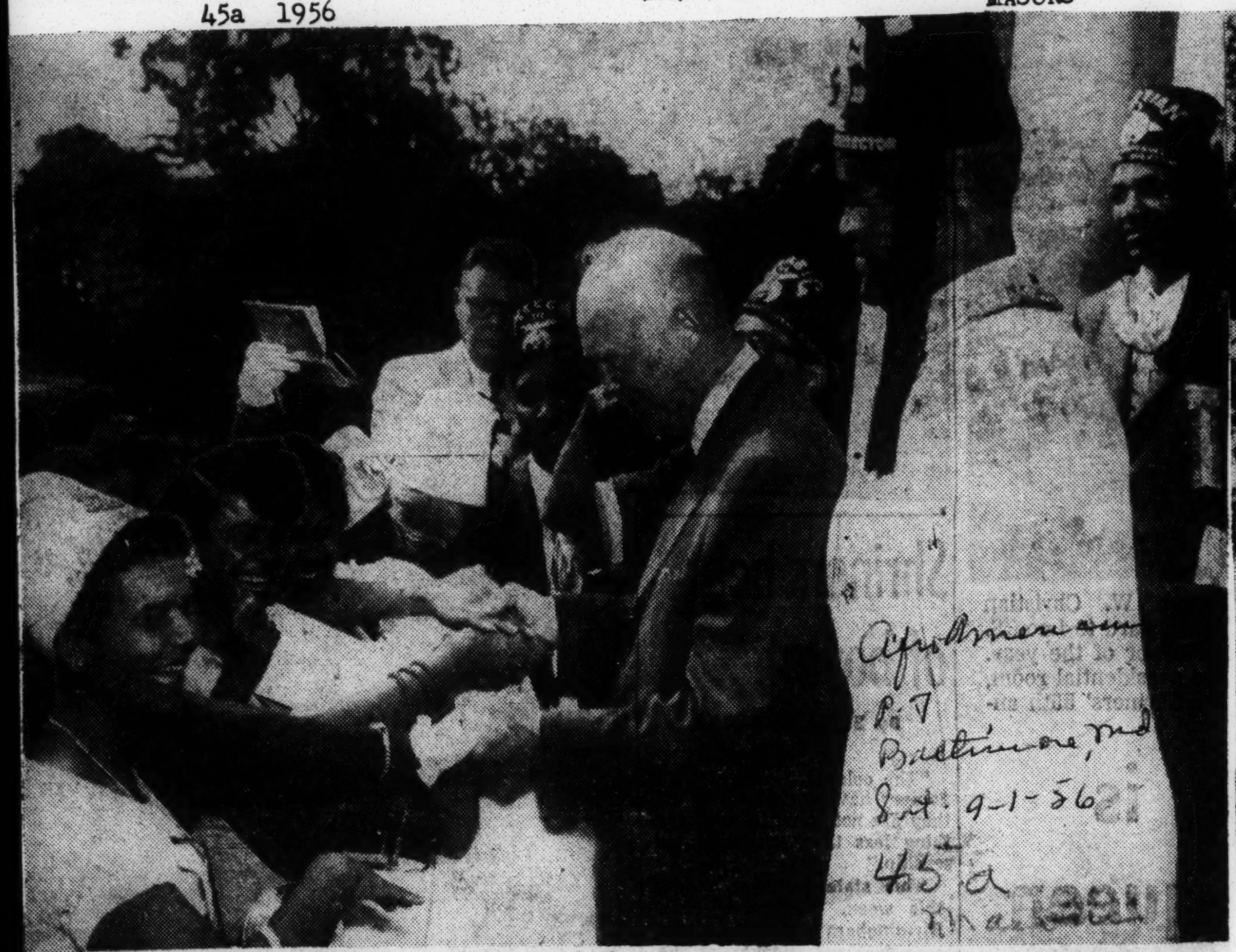
Masons

GRAND COMMANDER—Dr. Willard Allen of Baltimore, sovereign grand commander of the Supreme Council Scottish Rite Masons, 33rd and highest degree, with Mrs. Allen, arrives in Oakland, Calif., for the council's 60th anniversary. Because his train was delayed, a welcoming delegation was unable to be present to escort him to the mayor's office as had been planned.



SUPREME COUNCIL, Scottish Rite Masons, Prince Hall affiliation, 33rd and highest degree, Southern Jurisdiction, are photographed in front of the Municipal Auditorium, Oakland, Calif., after the initiation of a class of 94 persons, upon whom were conferred the honorary 33rd degree. Sovereign Grand Commander Willard Allen of Baltimore is on front row, 13th from right. On his left is John W. Lewis, his chief lieutenant, grand master of Louisiana Masons. At his right are seven visiting high dignitaries from the Northern Jurisdiction including Booker T. Alexander, Shriner imperial potentate, of Detroit.



IKE GREETS BEAUTY QUEENS—President Eisenhower greeted a group of 22 beauty queens recently in the Rose Garden of the White House. He told them education holds more hope for the United States and the world than any other single thing. The girls were finalists in a "Miss Shrine Princess" beauty contest staged by the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North and South America at the Shriners' annual convention in Washington.

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PRESIDENT WELCOMES SHRINE GROUP: The President chats with representatives of the Imperial Council of the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North and South America in White House Rose Garden. He later gave an informal talk.

Masons Deposit $5,000 In Interest Of Business

Daily World 7.5
Atlanta, Ga.
Jan. 6-3-56

A group of Prince Hall Masons simultaneously, with other Masons and top Shriners over the nation, deposited a check of $5,000 in the Citizens Trust Company here Friday.

The deposit, said Grandmaster John Wesley Dobbs, was in co-operation and support of Negro enterprise over the nation. The fact is that a fund of $127,000 of the Shriners is being made available to Negro owned and operated banks across the nation, particularly in the South.

This deposit, Mr. Dobbs also said is a fund maintained for research on tuberculosis and cancer.

The gesture is also in keeping with the financial policy of the Imperial Council Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine under the administration of Booker T. Alexander, Imperial Potentate of Detroit.

The Masons of Georgia have been active in a vast number of community and civic programs throughout the state.

The organization has also contributed large sums of money to the Legal Defense Fund and to programs of education in general.

Mr. Alexander of Detroit announced the new plan of handling the finances in a letter to Imperial Council officers. He proclaimed a "Faith in Negro Enterprise Day" calling on Shriners to Believe it, Live it and Support it. The day was set aside as June 1, 1956.

He said that on June 1 the Imperial Council had arranged a depositing of some $60,000 in 12 banks. The deposits are scheduled simultaneously by Shrine officers. Co-operating will be members of the Daughters of Isis and Prince Hall Grand Masters.

In announcing the new policy Mr. Alexander said this 'concerted action will be an expression of Shriners, Prince Hall Masons, and Daughters of Isis concern for the well-being, growth and expansion of all of these banking institutions. It is also a vote of confidence in the growth of community interest and expansion."

Further it was pointed out that Shriners had an opportunity to re-dedicate themselves to ourselves to our ideals of service to man and the respect of the rights of others to achieve human dignity, aid in opportunities to achieve success in business, housing and industry; to dramatize the practical things that Shriners can do to promote a co-operative spirit of working toward ideals and so to enlist support of all Prince Hall Masons in a realization of the goals, area development and community interest.

Henry G. Walton, New York City, director of Finance, said "this type of action assure the importance of all local units in the Imperial Council: it is also mutual education and it is an expression of our interest in the welfare of our communities from which our members come."

The dispersal of the $127,000 general funds was proposed by Mr. Walton. He said "our policy of dispersal is sound insurance."

GRAND MASTERS VIEW ORIGINAL CHARTER. — The Masonic Grand Masters' conference recently held at Butler hall in Boston, Mass., was climaxed with a viewing of the original charter. Roosevelt Butler, deputy license inspector of Kansas City, Kas., is shown holding the end of the original document. In the rear (arrow) Booker T. Alexander, imperial potentate, is surrounded by grand masters from various parts of the country. More than $5,000 was raised for the N.A.A.C.P. during the meeting which ended on May 24.

L. D. MILTON OF CITIZENS TRUST COMPANY, shown receiving a check of $5,000 from John Wesley Dobbs, Grand Master and Imperial Deputy, Prince Hall Masons of Georgia while other top Shriners look on. The deposit here represents similar deposits made by Shriners in 12 Negro banks over the nation. Left to right are Mr. Milton, president, Citizens Trust; Mr. Dobbs, Augusts Hogan, Illustrious Potentate Nabbar Temple, 128; A. McClendon, treasurer, and Robert J. Walters, secretary. — (Photo by Kelly)

B. T. Alexander is re-elected

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(Other Shriners Stories on Page 8)

WASHINGTON — Booker T. Alexander was re-elected imperial potentate without opposition as the Shriners ended their 55th annual convention here.

A total of 562 delegates were registered.

The treasurers' report showed that $241,000 had been received during the year and $210,000 had been paid out.

The order voted $1,000 to the NAACP, $500 to the National Urban League and $500 to the United College fund.

INITIAL deposits of $55,000 of money in the treasury of the Shrine Tuberculosis and Cancer Research Foundation, Inc. were placed in banks at Philiadelphia, Washington, Richmond, Atlanta, Newport News, Danville, Va., Fort Worth, Memphis, Nashville, Kansas City, and Savannah, Ga.

The Shriners also approved promotion of the Fish Bowl football game between Virginia State and Maryland State Colleges at Norfolk, Va.

The 2½ hour Shrine parade viewed by an estimated 40,000 persons, included 16 bands and 1,100 marchers.

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THE IMPERIAL council voted to place management of the Shrine's charity funds in the hands of Claude Watkins, the treasurer of Marion, Ind., and Charles E. Quander, the recorder of NYC.

The management and administration duties had previously been handled by a former imperial potentate.

This one-time officer held a contract to manage the funds for seven years at a salary of $9,000 annually.

A $15,000 settlement was turned down by the Shriners.

The audit of Shrine accounts of past years will continue.

THE SHRINE officers were authorized to demand recovery of Shrine records from the years 1907 to 1929, missing from the Shrine Mosque in Washington.

In his annual address, Imperial Potentate Alexander asserted:

"Nobles hold no brief for the theory of gradualism or moderation advanced by those who would deny a man his rights as a citizen until some period in the dim, distant future.

"Adherence to such a theory is immoral, and cowardly, in all of its aspects. The dark American citizen has done as much as any other American to protect, to advance and to build this nation. Why should we wait for the enjoyment of full citizenship?"

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MR. ALEXANDER told fellow Shriners that "peace and harmonious relationship now exist with all component branches of the Prince Hall Masonic fraternity."

The host Mecca Temple was praised for having initiated 146 candidates into the order, the largest single class in the history of the Shrine.

Suits which were filed in Illinois and Georgia, have been dismissed, Mr. Alexander revealed, adding "there has been no further litigations instituted by this Imperial Council against anyone."

Masonic Leader Reports On Tour

"Integregation is becoming a reality faster than we are able to grasp," said Dr. William J. Fitzpatrick, sovereign grand commander of the National Supreme Council of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons.

Fitzpatrick made his remarks in a report to the council following a tour of southern states preparing lodges for the coming national convention to be held at Chicago Aug. 18 - 24.

He said that in Nashville, Tenn., he did not observe any signs designating race in the use of public facilities.

HIRES AGENT

"The L and N railroad has gone so far as to hire a Negro ticket agent," he added. "In the past this wasn't heard of."

Fitzpatrick, who heads over 50 lodges throughout the country, visited lodges in Washington, D. C., Atlantic City, Huntsville Ala., and Virginia.

"I was not segregated on the trains either," he continued. "Contrary to popular belief, whites and Negroes get along pretty well together."

RIGHTS' GAINS

Fitzpatrick said he was "proud of the gains made in the South in the area of civil rights."

He also praised the Eisenhower administration for the tremendous amount of work it had done in the nation's capital to bring about equality for Negroes.

"I think more has been gained during the past three years in the civil rights field than ever before in the history of the Negro," Fitzpatrick concluded.

3,500 at Shrine Ball Given by Arabic Order

Some 3,500 delegates to the 55th annual convention of the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, attended the imperial potentate's ball here last night.

The dance, held in the Hotel Statler, was the highlight of the week-long meeting, which got underway Monday.

The gayly gowned women and uniformed members of the order paused for a midnight ceremony which included the presentation of a special citation to Booker T. Alexander of Detroit, whom they renamed as imperial potentate on Tuesday, the awarding of trophies to the organization's best drill teams, and the presentation of their new queen.

Carl H. Murphy, of Afro-American Newspapers, awarded Mr. Alexander a special citation commending his work and constructive efforts in the shrine's humanitarian program of the past year.

Mecca Wins Cup

The District's Temple Mecca, winner of first place in drill competitions held yesterday in the National Guard Armory, was awarded a bronze cup. Other awards went to the four runners-up, Pyramid Temple of Philadelphia, Marracci Temple of Detroit, Alla Baba Temple of Columbus, Ohio, and Kabala Temple of Raleigh, N. C.

Miss Norma Cobb, a New York college student, was officially crowned the 1957 Shriner Queen. Miss Cobb, winner of a $1,500 scholarship, and Miss Sheila Peters, 17, a senior at Dunbar High School here, placed first and second in a marathon beauty and talent contest held last night in the Armory.

Miss Peters, who won a $1,000 scholarship, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cortez W. Peters, of 3640 Eleventh street N.W.

The ball was preceded by an afternoon session, which included the installation of new officers, including Mr. Alexander.

Those Installed

Installed were Joseph W. Givens, Pittsburgh, deputy imperial potentate; Corneal A. Davis, Chicago, imperial chief rabban; Leroy Smith, Denver, imperial assistant rabban; the Rev. John H. Hester, Atlantic City, N. J., imperial high priest; William Henry, Los Angeles, imperial oriental guide, and Claude E. Watkins, Marion, Ind., imperial treasurer.

Also Charles C. Quander, New York City, imperial recorder; Robert L. Williams, Birmingham, Ala., imperial first ceremonial master; William H. Howe, Philadelphia, imperial second ceremonial master; Genoa S. Washington, Chicago, imperial captain of the guard, and Rudolph A. Stewart, of the District, imperial outer guard.

The 55-year-old organization was to reconvene today in the hotel for the presentation of committee reports and to consider unfinished business.

The convention will end officially with the divan conference at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

NORMA COBB

SHEILA PETERS

SHRINE HONORS—Miss Cobb, New York City college student, was first and Miss Peters, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cortez W. Peters, 3640 Eleventh street N.W., was runnerup in the national beauty and talent contest of the 55th annual convention of the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Social Change

Close to 10,000 Negro Shriners—members of the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North and South America—are in Washington this week for the Order's 55th annual convention which opened on Sunday. The headquarters and main meetings of the convention are at the Statler Hotel; many of the delegates are housed there and at other hotels in the downtown area. Arthur E. Brooks, Grand Master Most Worshipful of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge here, reminded them that when they last convened in the Capital of the United States 22 years ago, "we could offer you only the hospitality of our homes and our buildings. Now our hotels, our restaurants, our theatres are open to you."

The change reflects, we think, a kind of social progress in which this community can take genuine pride. Moreover, it affords a useful illustration to other communities of the harmony with which changes in the patterns of race relations can be embraced where good will and respect for law prevail. The Shriners are warmly welcome visitors here. As President Eisenhower told a group of them in the White House rose garden on Monday, the educational and humanitarian work of their Order "is something all America can be proud of."

auditoriums, seating from 50 to 500 persons.

The first floor will serve as office space. Formal dedication ceremonies will be held at a later date, Banks said.

Masons of State Meet Sunday, June 10; NAACP State Conference To Receive Contribution

The Council of Deliberation of the Prince Hall Affiliated Masons will bring 32 degree and 33 degree men to Nashville from all over the state for its annual meeting to be held at St. Luke CME Church, corner 26th and Meharry Blvd. Sunday, June 10.

The highlight of the meeting will be a public meeting at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The theme of this meeting will be the NAACP, which was selected as the recipent of its charity for this year. Donations for this cause will be coming in from all of the Consistories of the state.

The speaker will be Dr. V. W. Henderson, professor of Economics Fisk University. He is also the chairman of the Committee on Education for the Tennessee State Conference of NAACP Branches.

The recipient last year was the UNCF. Other activities of the day will include a business session beginning at high noon, at which time the 33° masons will march in with candle and honor guards under an arch of steel, and climaxing with a banquet at 5:30. The host for the day will be J. A. Henry consistory No. 48, of Nashville, Tenn. H. D. Stuart is the Commander in Chief

Masons Buy $200,000 Detroit Hall

DETROIT — The International Free and Accepted Modern Masons have purchased old Schiller Hall at 2121 Gratiot for $200,000, Supreme Grand Master William V. Banks has announced.

Schiller Hall with its, 2,000 seating capacity and three stories will serve as the International Masons' home office.

In the building there is a kitchen on each floor and three small

Masons Council Name Chicago For Convention

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Chicago, Ill.

DETROIT — The National Supreme Council A A S R Masons will observe its 92nd anniversary while holding its 58th annual Masonic communication in Chicago, Aug. 18 to 25 inclusive, according to reports made at the mid-winter session.

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This branch of Scottish Rite Masons which is presided over by Dr. William J. Fitzpatrick, Sovereign Grand Commander of Detroit, was organized in New York in 1864.

This annual national convention brings together low and high degree Masons and their auxiliaries from 37 states and the District of Columbia.

The Supreme Council received invitations from the mayor of Chicago, Governor of Illinois, the Chicago Convention Bureau and the State Street Merchants Association, to hold its 1956 convention in the Windy City.

The St. John Grand Counell A A S R Masons of Illinois with headquarters in Chicago will be host to the convention. Dave Jones, grand deputy inspector General of 3744 S. Michigan ave., is in charge.

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RECEIVING HIS 50-YEAR MASONIC PIN.—Mell C. Peak, center, past master of the Mt. Moriah Masonic lodge No. 5 in Topeka, Kas., is shown here as he receives his 50-year Masonic gold pin presented to him by the Prince Hall Masonic grand lodge of Kansas. Mr. Peak became a member of the Mt. Moriah lodge in 1905, and was elected worshipful master for the year 1911-12. He was elected high priest of the Lincoln chapter, Royal Arch Masons, in 1921 and was elected most eminent grand commander of the Knights Templar of Kansas in 1950. Mr. Peak is still an active member of his lodge and attends meetings regularly. The 50-year member is shaking hands with William Thompson, the present master of Mt. Moriah lodge. Placing the pin on his lapel is R. J. Coleman, right worshipful grand warden of Kansas.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS committee of Prince Hall Masons of Louisiana met in Baton Rouge recently to map plans for year's activities. Seated, left to right, are: J. C. Hamilton of Lake Charles, Brown E. Moore of Shreveport, Reuben Myles of Monroe, Marcus Neustadter of New Orleans, and David Bell of Alexandria. Standing, left to right, are: Samuel P. Jenkins of Baton Rouge, O. C. W. Taylor of New Orleans, and Freddie A. Piper of Baton Rouge.

La. Masons Ready For Grand Lodge Sessions

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Sat 4-21-56

BATON ROUGE, La. — The public relations committee of the Louisiana Grand Lodge of Prince Hall Masons met here recently to plan for the annual meeting of their grand lodge to be held here June 17-20.

Plans were also made for observing various Masonic celebrations over the year, including Prince Hall and Americanism Day, Easter, Christmas and other special days, and for stimulating attendance at the annual Bayou Boys State held at Southern university to which the Louisiana Prince Hall Masons send more than 100 boys every year.

The committee was the guest of Grand Master John G. Lewis, jr., and of the Baton Rouge member, Prof. Freddie A. Piper.

O. C. W. Taylor, New Orleans, is the chairman. Other members in attendance included Marcus Neustadter, New Orleans, secretary of the committee; Brown E. Moore, Shreveport; J. C. Hamilton, Lake Charles; Reuben Myles, Monroe and David Bell, Alexandria. Also present were R. U. Clark, grand lodge treasurer, and District Deputy, Bro. Joe Davis, will hold its Oratorical Contest on the subject for this year, "Youth Meets the Challenge of Sex Education," with the following participants: Homer Pope, Turner High; Helen V. Battle and Mattie P. Bolden, Price High; Lucille E. Brown, Howard High. Music for the occasion will be furnished by the Masonic Chorus under the direction of Mrs. Annie Ruth Lemon.

On Friday, May 25, at 8:00 p. m., in the Masonic Auditorium, Masonic District No. 2 under District Deputy, Bro. Ira Stuckey, will hold its Oratorical Contest on the same subject with the following participants: Delores R. Ellis, Frankie C. Johnson and Larue Wyatt, Washington High; Annie R. Hickson and Eralee Wingo, Price High; Homer Arnold, Jr., South Fulton High; Annie Lois Clay, Turner High; Willie D. Moore, Howard High. Music will be furnished by the Mt. Moriah Church Choirs.

Smooth Ashlar Grand Lodge Masons Hold Educational Scholarship Contests

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For the past three years, the Smooth Ashlar Grand Lodge, F and AAY Masons of Georgia, has given yearly 34 two hundred dollar educational scholarships to eligible high school seniors over the State of Georgia.

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The scholarship is known as the Clim Davenport Educational Scholarship named in honor of the present Grand Master, who conceived and promoted the Scholarship Fund. At the present time there are 57 students studying in various colleges and schools throughout the United States on these scholarships and over $10,000 has been paid by the York Rite Masonic Order of Georgia to support the program.

Eligible high school seniors compete within the 17 Masonic Districts. Two scholarships are awarded in each district to the participants judged to have prepared and delivered the best material on the subject designated.

Tuesday, May 22, at 8 p. m., in the Masonic District No. 1 under

Amos T. Hall And Blanche Bruner Re-Elected In Oklahoma

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Sat 6-16-56
Chicago Missed

Tulsa, Oklahoma, June 11—Amos T. Hall, Tulsa attorney, was re-elected Grand Master of the Prince Hall Masons of Oklahoma for the 16th consecutive year Tuesday during the 64th annual communication of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge held here June 8-6. He was first elected in 1940.

Mrs. Blanche M. Bruner, Grand Worthy Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, was re-elected to head her organization for another year.

Mrs. Mary Lou Whitby, Oklahoma City, was elected to the office of Most Ancient Grand Matron of the Heroines of Jericho, replacing Mrs. Ellen M. Roberson of Shawnee, David Brown, Oklahoma City was elected Grand Joshua, replacing E. H. Sancox of Chickasha.

Other officers re-elected to the Masonic order were J. F. McElwaine, Lawton, Grand Treasurer; J. T. Armstrong, Luther, treasurer, Masonic Benefit Association; E. H. Harris, Tulsa, secretary, Masonic Benefit Association; H. E. Duncan, Muskogee, Deputy Grand Master, and E. T. Busby, Haskell.

New officers elected in the Grand Lodge were E. E. Byrd, Tulsa, Senior Grand Warden, and Ted Johnson, Oklahoma City, Junior Grand Warden. Byrd replaced David Brown of Oklahoma City while Johnson replaced Byrd, who previously held the office of Junior Grand Warden.

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All grand officers of the O. E. S. were re-elected with the exception of Mrs. Pearl Bradley, formerly of Boley who is now a resident of Arizona. She held the office of Grand Associate Conductress. Mrs. Bertha Anderson now holds that office.

Re-elected as O. E. S. grand officers including Mrs. Bruner, were Mrs. Pollye S. Baucom, Grand Secretary and secretary of buraial department; Mrs. Dimple L. Bush, Tulsa, Grand Treasurer; Mrs. Elphanie B. Young, Grand Secretary, Lenapah, Grand Worthy Patron.

J. T. McNeeley, Oklahoma City businessman and prominent political figure, was presented a certificate naming him "Mason for the Year." McNeely was selected for outstanding service to his community by the Grand Lodge awards committee.

The Grand Lodge voted to convene in Oklahoma City next year with sessions beginning the first Monday in June.

Prince Hall Masons Give $100,000 To NAACP Legal Fund

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Nashville, Tenn.

Thurgood Marshall Acknowledges Big Contribution For Research Made By Popular Fraternal Order Since 1951; Famed Attorney Boosts Steps To End Discrimination Made By Tennessee And Six Other Southern States

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Boston, Mass.—The Prince Hall Masons have contributed more than $100,000 during the past five years to help the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc., find the right formula in stamping out racial desegregation and discrimination in American life and to conserve the rights of Negroes to enjoy the full benefits of first class citizenship.

Thurgood Marshall, Director-Counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, revealed the total amount of contributions in a report made last week to the Grand Masters Conference, Prince Hall Affiliation, held here from May 2 through 20.

Mr. Marshall disclosed that the $100.000 in donations was made possible through a resolution passed by the Grand Masters Conference in Denver, Colo., May 1951. The resolution called for the establishment of the Prince Hall Masons Legal Research Department of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund. The Department was established the same year and since then has been supported by contributions from 22 individual Prince Hall jurisdictions, Mr. Marshall said. Their 1955 donation amounted to $21.000.

All of the money contributed has been devoted exclusively to basic research in connection with current litigation, legal techniques and implementation projects, the Legal Defense head told the Grand Masters.

"During the five year period it is evident that the general public, as well as those of us who labor in the field of civil rights, has become more and more aware of the importance of long legal research and social planning," Mr. Marshall said. In recent months it has become quite evident in many ways that research and planning are not only important in the fight to establish the principle of equal rights under the law, but an urgent need in translating this principle into practice, he added.

"It seems quite clear that the urgency is even greater now in view of the recent rash of retaliatory laws, law suits and extra legal pressures which are being leveled against us by die-hards bent on nullifying the recent antisegregation rulings and pro-integration community actions," Atty. Marshall asserted.

Nashville, Tenn.

He told the Grand Masters that the Legal Research Department has become increasingly indispensible. Since its establishment, a revolution has occurred in civil rights litigation. Research is now necessary in other sub-fields of law, such as contracts, corporations and torts, as well as in special sub-areas of the socio-economic disciplines, Mr. Marshall said.

The policy of the Legal Defense Fund is built "solidly on the foundations embedded deeply in basic research," he added. Despite the determined efforts of "intransigent state authorities" and some 46 private organizations to frustrate the Supreme Court anti-segregation decisions, significant starts on desegregation have been made in 7 states, Mr. Marshall pointed out.

The states referred to are West Virginia, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas Kentucky, Maryland and Delaware. Breakthroughs have been made in Arkansas, Tennessee and Louisiana.

Mr. Marshall reminded the Grand Masters that it was basic research and planning that eventually brought victory in public education, recreation, public housing, interstate transportation and other rulings which have "sounded the death knell of segregation" in interstate transportation and other areas of American life.

The head of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund praised the Prince Hall Masons for their foresight in establishing the Legal Research Department and urged other organizations to follow the example.

He reminded the Prince Hall Masons and other groups will the NAACP Legal Defense Fund be able to meet the new and increasing demands being made upon it, Mr. Marshall concluded.

1000 Will Attend Grand Lodge Here

Masons, Eastern Stars, Heroines to Meet at Carver Junior High School June 3-6

By E. L. Madison, Jr.
Of The Eagle Staff

The annual communication of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Oklahoma, and Its Affiliated Bodies will be held June 3-6 at the Carver Junior high school with an estimated 1000 in attendance.

Attorney Amos T. Hall, Grand Master of Oklahoma Masons; Mrs. Blanche M. Bruner, Grand Worthy Matron, Order of the Eastern Star, and Mrs. Ellen M. Roberson, Most Ancient Grand Matron, Heroines of Jericho, will be the presiding officers over their respective group meetings.

Masons, Eastern Stars and Heroines will hold their business sessions at Carver during the four-day meeting. The Tulsa meeting will mark th 64th annual communication for the Mason while the Eastern Star will observe their 53th annual assembly.

A worship service will be held Sunday, June 3 at 4 p.m., at the First Baptist church, 1416 North Greenwood avenue, with Ernest E. Byrd, Worshipful Master, Amity Lodge No. 236 and chairman of the Grand Lodge general committee, presiding

Rev. Hill to Speak

The Reverend Ben H. Hill, pastor of Vernon AME church, will be principal speaker at the worship service. The invocation will be given by the Reverend Calvin K. Stalnaker, pastor of First Baptist.

The public meeting will be held June 4, at 8 p.m. at Vernon AME church, 307 North Greenwood avenue.

Greetings on behalf of the City of Tulsa will be extended the Grand Lodge by Mayor George E. Norvell. Dr. T. Oscar Chappelle, pastor of Morning Star Baptist church, will extend greetings on behalf of Prince Hall Masons. Mrs. Bertha Clark will deliver welcome remarks for the Order of the Eastern Star.

A response for the O.E.S. and Heroines of Jericho will be given by Mrs. Mary Wilson.

Dunbar Teachers to Sing

Music for the public meeting will be provided by the Dunbar Teacher's choral ensemble, directd by Mrs. Cleo Ross Meeker, and the Tulsa Civic Male Chorus, directed by Mrs. Opaline Bradley.

A special phase of the Mason's meeting will be the presentation of an award for "Mason of the Year" to J. T. McNeeley, of Oklahoma City.

Social entertainment for the Grand Lodge will take place Tuesday night at the Blue Moon Ballroom, sponsored by Moan Temple of the Shrine.

A parade will form at Carver school at 2 p.m., Sunday, June 3, with participation by the Masons, Eastern Stars and Heroines of Jericho. Local businesses are also expected to take part in the parade Bands from Carver school, Tulsa; Booker T. Washington high school, Sapulpa, and Dunbar high school, Okmulgee, will provide music.

Persons interested in entering the parade may contact Otis Marina, parade chairman, at WE 9-0219

Registration for the Grand Lodge will begin Sunday at 1 p.m., at First Baptist church. On Monday registrars will be on hand at 10 a.m., at Carver school in the main lobby. They will work from 10 to 12 noon and from 4 to 5 p.m. Monday.

The Grand Lodge will open at 8 a.m. Monday, according to Grand Master Hall.

Masons Deposit $5,000 In Interest Of Business

ATLANTA, Ga.—(SNS)—A group of Prince Hall Masons simultaneously, with other Masons and top Shriners over the nation, deposited a check of $5,000 in principal banks over the nation.

The deposit, said Grandmaster John Wesley Dobbs. was in cooperation and support of Negro enterprise over the nation. The fact is that a fund of $127,000 of the Shriners is being made available to Negrowned and operated banks across the nation, particularly in the south.

The gesture is also in keeping with the financial policy of the Imperial Council Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrin eunder the administration of Booker T. Alexander, Imperial Potentate of Detroit.

The organization has also contributed large sums of money to the Legal Defense Fund and to programs of education in general.

Mr. Alexander of Detroit announced the new plan of handleing the finances in a letter to Imperial Council officers. He proclaimed a "Faith in Negro Enterprise Day" calling on Shriners to Believe it, Live it and Support it. The days was set aside as June 1, 1956.

He said that on June 1 the Imperial Council had arranged a depositing of some $60,000 in 12 banks. The deposits are scheduled simultaneously by Shrine officers. Coperating will be members of the Daughters of Isis and Prince Hall Grand Masters.

In announcing the new policy Mr. Alexander said this concerted action will be an expression o fhSriners. Prince Hall Masons and Daughters of Isis concern for the well-being, growth and expansion of all banking institutions. It is also a vote of confidence in the growth of community interest and expansion."

Further it was pointed out that Shriners had an opportunity to rededicate themselves to ourselves to our ideals of service to man and the respect of the rights of other to achieve human dignity, aid in opportunities to achieve success in business, housing and industry; to dramatize the practical things that Shriners can do to promote a cooperative spirit of working toward ideals and so to enlist support to all Prince Hall Masons in a realization of the goals, area development and community interest.

Henry G. Walton, New York City, director of Finance, said "this type ect, he proclaimed June 1 as "Faith In Negro Enterprise Day." On that date, the Imperial Council arranged to deposit $60,000 in 12 banks.

2 UNITS COOPERATED

Members of the Daughters of Isis and Prince Hall Grand Masters are cooperating in the project.

Henry G. Walton, New York City, director of finance, said: "This type of action assures the importance of all local units in the Imperial Council; it is also mutual education and an expression of our interest in the welfare of our communities from which our members come."

Other members of the finance committee are M. C. Martin, Danville, Va.; R. C. Schuster, Detroit, and James Jackson, Detroit, deputy legal advisor.

Shriners Send $127,000 To Negro Banks

DETROIT—The Imperial Council Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine is making $127,000 of its general fund available to Negro owned and operated banks across the nation, particularly in the South.

This new emphasis on support of Negro enterprise is being led by Booker T. Alexander, imperial potentate, who announced the plan in a letter to Imperial Council officers.

In connection with the new proj-

Hall Re-elected President of Grand Masters

Tulsan Will Serve Sixth Consecutive Term of Office

Amos T. Hall

BOSTON, Mass. — Amos T. Hall, Grand Master of Prince Hall Masons of Oklahoma, was re-elected president of Conference of Grand Masters of Prince Hall Masons of America for the sixth consecutive year at the annual meeting held at the Masonic Temple here May 22-24.

William D. Washington, Boston, Mass., was elected first vice-president of the Conference, and William Grasty, of Pennsylvania, was elected second vice-president.

The welcome address on behalf of Prince Hall Masons of Massachusettts was delivered by Dr. James R. Lesueur May 22, to Grand Masters representing 32 states.

Special tribute was paid to deceased Masons by J. T. Maxey, Grand Master of Texas, and E a. Fulcher, Grand Master of California.

Hall and Marshall Speak

Highlighting the events of the opening day were addresses by President Hall and Thurgood Marshall, special counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Marshall reported on the work of the Legal Research Bureau and its support.

Lemuel L. Foster, national consion, U.S. Treasury department, presented the Conference an award fo outstanding work in the sale of U.S. Savings Bonds.

The Grand Masters visited the grave of Past Most Worshipful Grand ASTER Prince Hall, father of Masonry among Negroes, on the second day of the conference. A wreath was placed at the grave. On the following day they viewed the original charter of African Lodge No. 459 at the Masonic temple.

Dr. H. Council Trenholm addressed the Conference on Wednesday on the topic, "Masonic Education."

Other Speakers

Other speakers at the Conference included John G. Lewis, Grand Master of Louisiana; John W. Dobbs, Grand Master of Georgia; James B. Simmons, Grand Master of Ohio; B. Albert Ford, Grand M ter of Rhode Island; James G. Sherman, Grand Master of New Jersey; A. J. Worsham, Past Grand Master of Ohio; O. Stanton DePriest, Grand Lecturer of Illinois; Joseph Dyer, of New York, and W. J. Trent, Jr., director of the United Negro College Fund.

George W. Crawford, Sovereign Grand Commander, the United Supreme Council Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rites of Freemasonry, Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A., Inc., Willard W. Allen, Sovereign Grand Commander, the United Supreme Council Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rites of Freemasonry, Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A., Inc., and Booker T. Alexander, Imperial Potentate, Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North and South American and Its Jurisdiction, Inc., extended greetings on behalf of their respective jurisdictions.

L. D. MILTON OF CITIZENS TRUST COMPANY, shown receiving a check of $5,000 from John Wesley Dobbs, Grand Master and Imperial Deputy, Prince Hall Masons of Georgia while other top Shriners look on. The deposit here represents similar deposits made by Shrines in 12 Negro banks over the nation. Left to right are: Mr. Milton, president, Citizens Trust; Mr. Dobbs, Augusts Hogan, Illustrious Potentate Nabar Temple, 128; A. McClendon, treasurer, and Robert J. Walters, secretary.—(Photo by Kelly).

SHRINERS DEPOSIT -5,000 IN DOUGLASS STATE BANK. — The Douglass State bank at 1314 North Fifth street was one of the twelve Negro banks receiving a $5,000 check for deposit. In the above photo, H. W. Sewing, seated left, president of the bank, receives the check from Ed Pruitt, imperial deputy of the oasis, as other local members of the organization look on. Standing left to right are: P. G. Porter, grand master of Prince Hall grand lodge of Kansas; Wade McCurley, illustrious potentate of Koran temple No. 33; Lewis Reed, assistant rabban of Koran temple; Elmer C. Jackson, Jr., chief rabban of Koran temple; Mrs. Florence Mitchell, illustrious commandress of Koran court No. 37, and Mrs. Jennie Thatcher, imperial deputy of the oasis, Daughter of Isis.

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YORK RITE, SHRINERS, DAUGHTERS MEET TODAY

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A two-day session of the Nobles and Daughters of Isis over the state has been called by the Imperial Potentate, C. W. Peters and the Illustrious Commandress, Freddie Wortham, to convene in Atlanta, at the New Temple, 60 Piedmont Avenue, NE, May 19 and 20. Both Orders will hold initiation ceremonies and business sessions on Saturday afternoon. Neziah Temple of Atlanta and its auxiliary courts will entertain the visiting Nobles and Daugliters with a frolic Saturday night.

Atlanta, Ga.

Sunday, May 20, at 11 a. m. in the Temple Auditorium, S. H. Pierce, Sr., Dean of the Atlanta College of Mortuary Science, will address a joint session at the religious services. Mr. Pierce graduated from Morehouse College with the B. A. degree. He holds certificates for advance study in the field of Mortuary Science from the Army and Navy Hospital in Hot Springs, Ark., The American Adademy of Embalming and Mortuary Research in New York City and The Postgraduate Institute of Restcrative Art in Chicago, Ill.

The speaker is not only an outstanding teacher in Mortuary Sciences but is also the autor of the first and only textbook written on Mortuary Science by a Negro entitled: "Morgue Guide." He has fraternal affiliations with Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and is a Shriner in the Masonic Order. His knowledge of early Egyptian and Arabic

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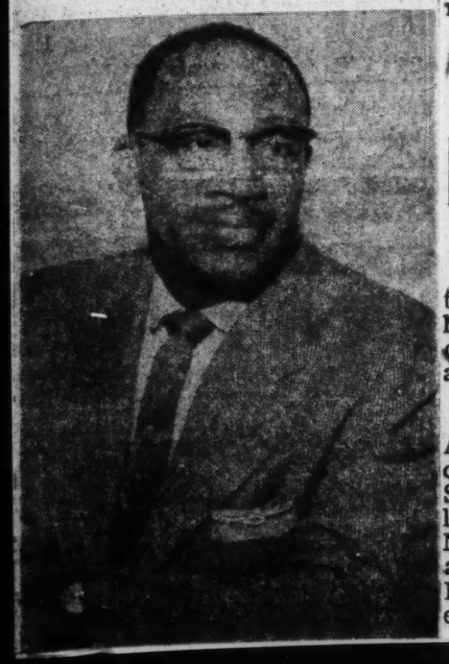
history and culture will bring much enlightment on Shrinedom.



Daughters Of Isis Hears Edith Sampson

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WASHINGTON, (AND) — Mrs. Edith S. Sampson, recipient of the 1955 Award of the American Friends of the Middle East and 1950 and 1952 Alternate Delegate to the United Nations, was the principal speaker at the public meeting of the Imperial Council, Prince Hall Shriners and the Imperial Court, Daughters of Isis, in the Presidential Room of the Statler Hotel last Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Sampson, a practicing attorney in Chicago, travelled and lectured in Turkey, Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Iran, Iraq, Jordan and Israel on the American Friends award. She is also chairman of the Committee on International Relations of the National Council of Negro Women.

Several thousand members of the Imperial Court-Daughters of Isis were present Sunday for the Annual Oriental Tea honoring the Imperial Commanders Mrs. Ereeele Harmon Moore, at the Masonic Temple here. Guest speaker was Atty. Margaret Haywood Hawthorne of Washington, who was cited by the National Council of Negro Women recently as one of American's Ten Outstanding Women.

Isis re-elect Ercelle Moore

A Pro-Amora
Sat 9-1-56
Baltimore, Md.

By FANNIEJOE REID

WASHINGTON — The Daughters of Isis, in convention here, last week re-elected Mrs. Ercelle H. Moore of Buffalo, N.Y. as imperial commandress.

Other officers named were: Mrs. Alberta D. Parker, Los Angeles, Cal., deputy imperial commandress; Mrs. Wilhelmina S. Means, Detroit, Mich., first lieutenant; Mrs. Eliza Coleman, Natchez, Miss., second lieutenant; Mrs. Mildred F. Wells, Philadelphia, Pa., high priestess;

THE NOBLE AND DAUGHTERS OF ISIS

Mrs. Gladys W. Dixon, Baltimore, Md., oriental guide; Mrs. Goldie Hargett, Greensboro, N.C., first ceremonial daughter; Mrs. Mary C. Johnson, Harrisburg, Pa., second ceremonial daughter;

Mrs. Lucille Williams, Ormand Beach, Fla., inside spy; Mrs. Josephine Brown, Denver, Colo., outside spy; Mrs. Beula S. McKay, Oklahoma City, Okla., treasurer; and Mrs. Ruth Flood, Detroit, Mich., recorder.

Odd-Fellows Household Of Ruth Meeting In Vicksburg This Week

Vicksburg, Miss., July 9 — The Odd-Fellows and Inmates of Ruth will hold their next annual grand session at Pascagoula, Miss., Monday and Tuesday, August 13-14. In a proclamation issued jointly by M. D. Upchurch, of Clarksdale, Miss., Grand Master of the Odd-Fellows and Mrs. E. C. Nelson of Marks, Miss., Most Noble Governor of the Grand Household of Ruth, all members of the order are urged to cooperate in making this annual session one hundred per cent successful.

The general business meetings will be held at the Union Baptist Church, located at the corner of Dupoint and Market streets. The meeting will open at 9:45 a. m. Monday. This will be the 66th annual session of Dist. Grand Lodge No. 10, of the Grand United Order of Odd-Fellows, and the 56th annual session of District Grand Household of Ruth No. 14 of the Mississippi jurisdiction.

Aside from the duly elected delegates, all members of the order who are qualified to enter the Grand Lodge are cordially invited and urged to attend this meeting. Mrs. Alberta Martin, 675 E. Convent Ave. Pascagoula, Miss., is chairman of the assignment committee.

Most delegates are expected to arrive in Pascagoula early Sunday, August 12. Several committees are scheduled to meet Sunday afternoon; some of them as early as 2:30 p. m. o'clock. The committee on credentials is composed of Percy Nelson of Marks, Miss., W. A. Daniels of Bay St. Louis, Miss., C. H. Burdro of Natchez, Miss., Mrs. E. L. Burdo, Moss Point, Miss., Mrs. Alice Moss, Pearlington, Miss., and Mrs. Magnolia Cook of Oxford, Miss.

Oddfellows Hail Annual Session Great Success

Say Finances Beyond Expectations

Vicksburg, Miss., Aug. 20.—(Special)—The Mississippi forces of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows held their annual session for this year in the city of Pascagoula, Miss. last week, Aug. 12, 13 and 14.

Reports indicate that the meeting was a tremendous success, and it is one that will linger long in the memory of the many delegates and visitors who were there from all parts of the state.

The meeting opened and closed in a blazing demonstration of the spirit of brotherhood, goodwill, friendship, love and truth. Under the new leadership of the group, headed by the Hon. M. D. Upchurch, Grand Master of Grand Lodge No. 10, and Mrs. E. C. Nelson, Grand Most Noble Governor of Grand Household of Ruth No. 14, the financial success leaped far beyond all expectations.

It is reported that the delegates from other towns were mesmerized by the high degree of inter-racial peace and cooperation demonstrated by the city of Pascagoula. According to J. M. Houston, Special Deputy Grand Master, no city has ever accorded the Grand Lodge so much courtesy and kindness. Union Baptist Church was the site of the welcome program, Monday night, Aug. 13. The huge building was crowded from the front to the rear. A large section of seats was reserved for, and occupied by, white people. Participating in the welcome program were Hon. W. E. Wiggins, Mayor of the city; Hon. H. C. Everett, Grand Master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Mississippi; Mrs. Doxie Allen, of the women's department of the Order; Mrs. Bertie Cook, of the local Lodge of Rebecca; Mr. Authur Allen, state secretary of the Order, and Mr. Eugene Cook of the Pascagoula lodge.

In a long line of automobiles, the delegates were taken on a tour of the city. Escorted by officers of the police department, the group spent two and one-half hours viewing many points of interest about the city, including the old Spanish Fort and the Ingalls Ship Yards. When it was all over, the delegates were unanimous in saying "In spirit and hospitality, there is no city like Pascagoula."

The oratorical contest was conducted by the brilliant and lovely Mrs. Elizabeth Keys of Ocean Springs, Miss., secretary of the burial department. This contest is always a very interesting feature of the Grand Lodge program. It was originated years ago by the late Mrs. Francis T. Austin, former Grand Most Noble Governor of the Household of Ruth, and sponsored by her until her death early last year. $300.00 was divided among five contestants. The first prize of $100.00 was won by Miss Elizabeth Beatrice Washington, whose address is 1414 First East Street, Vicksburg, Miss. She is a granddaughter of Mr. James Mason, a well known citizen of Vicksburg, who lived in the 700 block on First North Street for many years. Her father is J. W. Washington of Chicago. Her mother is better known in Vicksburg as Willie B. Mason. Miss Washington is a recent graduate of Bowman High School. She plans to enter Alcorn College in September. Her entering the contest was sponsored by Household of Ruth No. 2008, Mrs. S. H. Donnell, Most Noble Governor.

Miss Washington says she was coached for the occasion by Miss Thelma Watson, instructor in English and journalism at Bowmar High. She wishes to convey her heartfelt gratitude to Mr. and Mrs S. H. Donnell for the part they played in making it possible for her to win that $100.00.

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Negroes Initiated 'Without Fanfare'

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., Feb. 19 (AP) — Two Negro students—subject of a bitter controversy within the national fraternity of Sigma Phi—were initiated into the Williams college chapter in a "routine" ceremony.

Several other pledges also became members of the fraternity during an initiation which a college spokesman described as "without fanfare . . . and routine."

At the request of the Negroes themselves and the chapter their names were not disclosed.

Early this month the national society criticized the Williams chapter for pledging the Negroes, but no action was taken to expel the chapter at a recent closed meeting in New York, despite a previous call to its 3,000 members to eject the Williams unit.

The New York meeting resulted after 40 Williams undergraduate members and nine alumni trustees refused to oust the Negro pledges and asked the college to support its stand.

The college reiterated a long-standing rule that no fraternity could stay on the Williams campus whose "chapter is not free to elect to membership any individual on the basis of his merit as a person."

at the New York Athletic Club last Saturday.

As a result of that meeting, the national standing and advisory committee of the fraternity decided "to review its position in the light of the expressions of opinion." The review was held Tuesday. William C. Mayer, national secretary, a New York lawyer, issued the following statement yesterday:

Statement Not Explained

"After its meeting held on Feb. 7, 1956, the national standing and advisory committee of Sigma Phi Society unanimously announced that its Williams chapter has not now nor has it ever been suspended or expelled and that there is no present intention of taking any such action."

Told that his statement left the implication that the committee had reversed its stand and withdrawn its ouster threat, Mr. Mayer replied, "I have nothing to add to the statement."

The repudiated resolution was adopted on Jan. 11. How many of the fourteen members of the committee voted for it was not known.

It charged that the Williams chapter had pledged two men "of obviously controversial character." This, it asserted, was "a selfish and irresponsible act without regard to the interests of the society as a whole."

It warned that initiation of the two students, as scheduled for Feb. 18, would be regarded as a sign that the chapter "wishes to be considered a local and undergraduate club without national affiliation."

Supported by Williams alumni, Robert Bethune, president of the Williams chapter, obtained the backing of other chapters.

unless it did that.

The national chapter of the fraternity is scheduled to meet February 4 in New York City, and it is expected that they will consider this problem.

SIGMA PHI ADMITS 2 NEGRO STUDENTS

Fraternity's Leaders Drop Threat to Oust Williams Chapter for Pledging

The Sigma Phi Society, one of the oldest college fraternities, cleared the way yesterday for the initiation of two Negro honor students at Williams College.

The fraternity's national standing and advisory committee, acting unanimously, withdrew its threat to oust its chapter at Williamstown, Mass., for having pledged the Negro students.

Reversal of the committee's stand came after the Williams chapter had organized support for its position among chapters at leading universities and colleges. Representatives of these chapters and of others, as well as prominent alumni, discussed the issue informally at a meeting

Support Frat In Bias Fight

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass. — The alumni trustees of Williams college have pledged full support to the school's Sigma Phi fraternity chapter in its fight with the national body over the pledging of two Negro students for membership.

In a notice to the chapter, the national body said the college chapter had forfeitted its affiliation by pledging the two students, and added that a meeting would be held in New York City Feb. 4, to consider action against the group.

The two Negro students were not identified. Last summer Williams college ruled that no fraternity could operate on the campus unless it was free to select members on their merits as persons, a spokesman for the institution stated.

There are 3,000 members in 11 charters of Sigma Phi fraternity.

Frat Pledges Former Four Negroes, Faces Ouster

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass— Sigma Phi fraternity of Williamstown College is threatened with loss of its affiliation with the national Sigma Phi fraternity for pledging two Negro students.

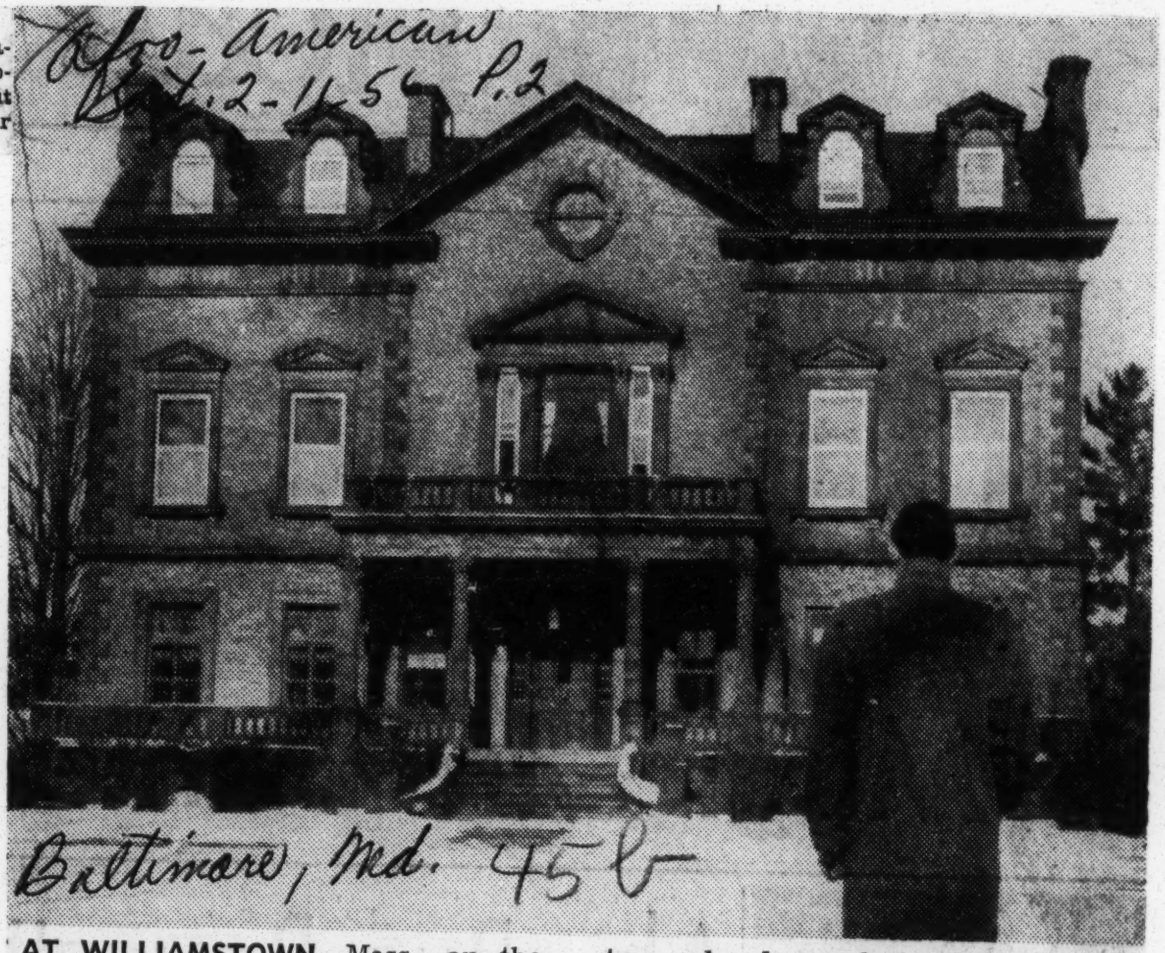
The local chapter has the support of the alumni trustees, and also the backing of a former ruling of the college officials, which said that fraternities should accept students on the basis of individual merit, and that no fraternity would have a right to exist on the grounds

Chapter Quits Phi Sigma Kappa

HANOVER, N. H., Apr. 15 (AP) —The Dartmouth College chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa Sunday announced it has severed all connections with its national organization because "it is incongruous for any organization founded on brotherhood to sanction discrimination on the grounds of race, color or creed."

The announcement said the fraternity has been reogranized on a local basis under the name Phi Tau fraternity.

The statement by the members said: "Our primary allegiance as a college organization is to Dartmouth, and affiliation with a national organization is not necesary for the successful existence of a fraternity on this campus."



AT WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., on the campus of Williams College, stands the Sigma Phi Fraternity House where the Williams chapter of the fraternity is housed. This chapter which pledged two colored members is threatened with expulsion by the national body, but has maintained that it will stand its ground.

Frat Splits Over 2 Negro Pledgees

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass.—The three thousand members of Sigma Chi Fraternity have been called upon to expel the Williams College Chapter from affiliation for having pledged two Negroes as prospective members.

Rap Fraternity In Depledging Of Chinese

EVANSTON, Ill. — (INS) —The Northwestern University chapter of the Association of University Professors has condemned the action of Psi Upsilon fraternity in depledging a student because he is Chinese.

The student involved is Sherman Wu, son of K. C. Wu, former Chinese nationalist governor of For-

mosa.

The chapter vote, adopted unanimously last night, reads:

"The Northwestern chapter of the American Association of University Professors wishes to state its position on the recent action of Psi Upsilon in depledging Sherman Wu on grounds of race."

DEPLORES ACT

"We consider this action deplorable because it is completely contrary to the democratic ideals for which the AAUP stands.

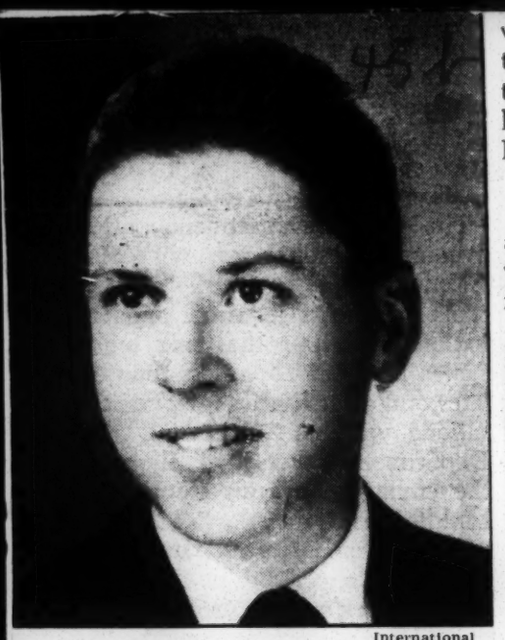
"Recognizing our responsibility as teachers and as citizens in the academic community, we desire to make it known publicly that this action is not representative of the climate of opinion which we wish to see at Northestern university."

Northwestern's Interfraternity Council already has agreed to reconsider the case of the 19-year-old Chinese student.

GOOD OF HOUSE

The depledging occurred a week ago when Jack Legeschulte, president of Psi Upsilon, asked young Wu to resign for the so-called "good of the house."

Legeschulte explained that some freshmen had declined to join the fraternity because they objected to the membership of the Chinese student.



International

. . . and death for Thomas Clark

MASSACHUSETTS:

Death of a Boy

If the ordinary mother and father have a mental picture of what they would like their only son to be at the age of 18, that picture might well resemble, in many details, a boy named Thomas L. Clark.

Thomas was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred R. Clark, who live in the Chicago suburb of Harvey. (He had one sister.) His father is an executive of the Illinois Bell Telephone Co.

Thomas was graduated last June from the Thornton Township High School, where he had received "practically all straight A's," his teachers said, in his mathematics and science courses. He was a slim 6-footer, handsome, somewhat reserved, and a letter winner in both swimming and tennis.

DKE Pledge: With his bent for science, and his grades, Thomas was accepted as a freshman at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge. Although he might have received a scholarship, he did not apply for one. His grades in his first semester were high and he proved popular among the students, so popular that, a couple of weeks back, he was pledged to Delta Kappa Epsilon, a leading fraternity.

The initiation stunt that the M.I.T. chapter of the fraternity thought up for Clark and nine other youths plunged the boy's family, the institute, and the fraternity into the deepest tragedy.

Thomas and the other nine were driven, blindfolded and at night, 17 miles to Lincoln, Mass., and were let out, one after another, at various desolate spots with instructions to make their way back to the M.I.T. campus in time for classes the next morning. Young Thomas was let out near the ice-covered Cambridge Reservoir.

Thomas didn't come back.

State and local police searched the area; posses of students in the hundreds were organized; Thomas's father flew in from Chicago.

One day last week, seven days after the youth disappeared and as his father sat in his hotel room, slumped with despair, the final blow fell.

Frogmen: At the reservoir a biting wind blew across the snow-covered ice, but a crowd estimated at 1,500—including M.I.T. officials and fraternity members—ringed the shore. A crew of nine volunteer frogmen had been going under the ice, in relays, all day.

On the final dive of the afternoon, three frogmen found Thomas's body, tangled in the weeds.

Authorities said Thomas was a victim of drowning. Apparently in the darkness, in unfamiliar territory, he had tried to cross the reservoir toward the lights of a main highway and was skirting an area of open water when he cracked through.

▶M.I.T. Dean of Students E. Francis Bowditch said that the institute is making "a thorough study" of fraternity initiations to make sure that such a thing "cannot happen again." President James R. Killian Jr. said: "Nothing can be said to diminish the tragedy of Thomas Clark's death."

▶Thomas's father said the initiation practices were "criminal."

▶The National Council of the fraternity, in New York, extended its "concern and sympathy" to Clark's parents. It said it had already opposed any initiation stunts outside the chapter houses, and that it was issuing an order demanding immediate cessation of such practices.

Associated Press

A fraternity initiation at M.I.T., a mourning father . . .

Negroes Barred By Some Fraternities, Sororities

Mass. Solons Look Into Discrimination By 'Greeks'

MEDFORD, Mass.—(INS)—An investigation into the possible discrimination in college organizations (Greek-letter groups) loomed by a special committee empowered to look into the ousting of a Jackson College sorority chapter after it had pledged two colored students as members.

State Reps. Sumner Z. Kaplan of Brookline, and Thomas Wojtkowski of Pittsfield, made the announcement after hearing from several college spokesmen and from Richard N. Goodwin of Brookline, administrative assistant of the committee.

KAPLAN hinted that the committee might consider legislation to propose that local fraternity and sorority chapters severed connections with their national headquarters rather than adopt membership restrictions.

Both James W. Burke, secretary of the University of Massachusetts and Dean John T. Rule of Massachusetts Institute of Technology opposed such a move. Burke said that four fraternities at his school have restrictive clauses and rule said that eight of MIT's fraternities have such rules. Both, however, contended that students were acting on their own to end discrimination, and would do more good by trying to eliminate such clauses from the national organization, than cutting themselvs off from it.

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THE HEARING grew out of the expulsion of the Jackson chapter of Sigma Kappa sororoity after it had pledged two colored girls. Dr. Katherine R. Jeffers, dean of Jackson, told the committee that as long as she was connected with the school she will oppose any effort to return Sigma Kappa to the campus. She was asked if the pledging of the girls was the cause of the charter revocation, and declared:

"We assume it was because of the pledging of the girls."

GOODWIN said the national sorority had been invited to send representatives to the hearing, but had replied by telegram that it would hold the committee "responsible" for any publicity resulting from the session.

"We accept the responsibility," he said. "We have given them adequate opportunity to be heard."

Frat Prejudice Hits Wu's Son

EVANSTON, Ill.—Prejudice has been blamed as the reason the son of the former Governor of Formosa was forced to withdraw from a fraternity at Northwestern University.

Sherman Wu, 19, son of K. C. Wu, said he was approached by Jack Lageschulte, chapter president, and asked to resign as a pledgee from Psi Upsilon because at least seven other freshmen declined to be pledged because of Mr. Wu.

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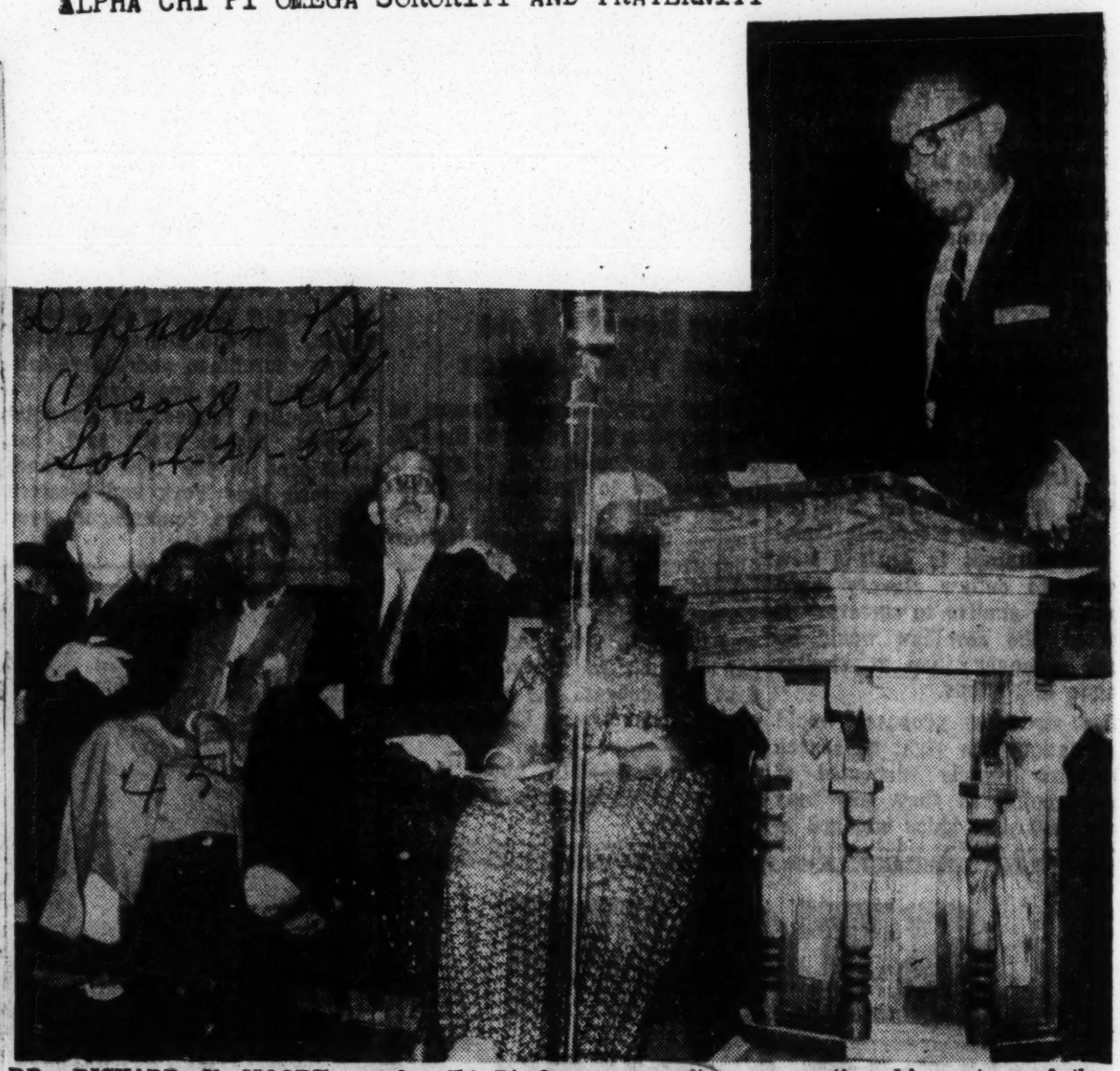
ALPHA CHI PI OMEGA SORORITY AND FRATERNITY

NATIONAL CONVENTION and Educational Exhibit is held in Hot Springs, Ark., by the Alpha Chi Pi Omega Sorority and Fraternity. Attending the annual meeting are hundreds of beauticians from every state. In the photo, Alderman Fred W. Martin addressed convention.



DR. RICHARD V. MOORE, president of Bethune-Cookman college, Daytona Beach, Fla., makes principal address at the annual convention of Alpha Chi Pi Omega sorority and fraternity in Hot Springs. Seated from left: Mayor Floyd A. Housley, Ald. Fred W. Martin. Dr. William Trent, executive director of the United Negro College Fund, and Mrs. Marjorie Joyner, national supervisor.

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KAPPA ALPHA PSI FRATERNITY

CONCLAVES-ATLANTA,GA.

AKA's And Kappas

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Atlanta, Ga.

DR. MAYS TO ADDRESS GREEK CONCLAVE TODAY

Dr. Benjamin Mays, president of Morehouse college, will deliver the main speech at the joint public meeting of the convention of the national Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority and the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity which is scheduled for 8 o'clock tonight at Sisters chapel on Spelman College campus.

He will be introduced by Mrs. Arnetta G. Wallace, supreme basileus of AKA.

Other participants scheduled to appear on the program include Mayor William B. Hartsfield, who will extend welcome greetings; also Dr. William H. Hale, a professor at Clark College; Dr. James P. Brawley, president of Clark College; L. D. Milton, president of Citizens Trust Co.

And C. Roger Wilson, grand polemarch of Kappa; Dr. J. W. E. Bowen, bishop of the Methodist's Atlantic Coast Area; Mrs. Ann Patton, a harpist; Mrs. Anna White Robinson, basileus of the local AKA chapter; Rev. William H. Borders, pastor of Greater Wheat Street Baptist church; and Graham Jacson, organist.

Presiding at the meeting will be Rheubin M. Taylor, polemarch of the local Kappa chapter.

A reception will follow immediately in Abbey Aldrich hall.

More than 250 delegates had arrived in town Wednesday to register for the AKA's 36th Annual Boule, the Kappa's 46th Conclave. However more than 1000 are expected by late Thursday, the official opening of the five-day meeting.

Approximately 500 chapters throughout the country are expected to send representatives.

AKA headquarters is at Clark College's administration building and Kappa's at Sale Hall on Morehouse campus.

The sorority and fraternity will hold a joint ball at 11 o'clock tonight at Municipal Auditorium, 30 Courtland St.

The sorority's theme is "The Role of AKA Women in Times of Transition."

A press luncheon will be held at the YWCA at 12:30 today with the Zeta Phi Beta sorority entertaining. Special tribute will be paid to Mrs. Marie Woolfolk, one of the founders of the sorority.

KAPPAS ARRIVING IN ATLANTA FOR national conclave — Left to right Avon Kirkland, Clark college, Polemarch of Gamma Kappa chapter, of Atlanta, Reuben W. Spears, Chicago, Ezra D. Alexander, of Indianapolis, Rheuben Taylor, Polemarch of Atlanta Alumni chapter, Roger Wilson, Grand Polemarch, Chicago, Ray Ware and Q. V. Williamson, both of Atlanta.

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ALPHA KAPPA MU CONVENTION—Dr. Ambrose Caliver, assistant to the United States Commissoner of Education, (center) is shown following his address to the 18th annual convention of Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society at Morgan State College, Baltimore, Md. Others in the group are, left to right: Dr. George W. Gore, Jr., Florida A. and M. University, secretary-treasurer of the organization; Dr. Walter N. Ridley, Virginia State college, Petersburg, Va.; George C. Grant, Dean of Morgan State College; Tilman C. Cothran, A. M. and N. College, Pine Bluff, Ark., re-elected president of Alpha Kappa Mu.

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TO LEADERS appearing on the programs of the Beta Kappa Chi Scientific Society and the National Institute of Science held recently at A & T College included, from left to right, R. J. Pitts, Warmoth T. Gibbs and Dr. H. R. Brandson.

Present Papers

Courier Pittsburgh, Pa. 4-21-56

Grambling Professors At Regional

GRAMBLING, La.—(Special)—Scientific papers were presented by two Grambling College faculty members last week to the regional conference of the National Institute of Science and Beta Kappa Chi Honor Society at Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

The joint conference had as its theme: "Developing Students for a Career in Science."

Papers were presented by Dr. William N. Wasson and Vernon Henderson of the Science Department.

Dr. Wasson read a paper on the "Study of Direct Measurements of Venous Pressure in Rest and During Exercise," Henderson's study was on "The Miscroanatomy and Histology of the Reproductive System of Gammarus."

Other papers were presented by faculty representatives from Alabama State, Montgomery; Stillman College, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; North Carolina A. and T., Greensboro, and Southern University, Baton Rouge.

Mrs. W. Louise Deloney, chairman of science and mathematics department; Davis Eaton and Paul T. Groves attended the conference.

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Close Science Meet At A & T

GREENSBORO, N. C.—The annual joint convention of the National Beta Kappa Chi Scientific Society and the National Institute of Science was held at A&T College, last week and attracted nearly 300 science students and instructors.

The four-day meet featured a series of lectures and demonstrations on late developments in the science and mathematics fields and latest teaching techniques.

Prominent on the program were: R. J. Pitts, Fort Valley State College, Fort Valley, Ga., president of the National Institute of Science; Dr. H. R. Branson, Howard University, Washington, D. C., president of Beta Kappa Chi; Dr. J. H. M. Henderson, Carver Foundation, Tuskegee, Ala., biology; Dr. S. P. Massie, Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee, chemistry; Dr. W. Brothers, Dillard University, New Orleans, La., mathematics and Dr. J. H. Hunter, Virginia State College, Petersburg, Va., physics.

Dr. Artis P. Graves, chairman of the Biology Department at A & T College, president at the opeing joint session. Warmoth T. Gibbs, president of the college.

Dr. Mays Is Honored By National Forensic Society

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Sun. 4-15-56
Atlanta Ga.

President Benjamin E. Mays of Morehouse College has been selected as one of 19 distinguished American citizens (18 men and one woman) to be honored this week by the national forensic society of Delta Sigma Rho during its golden anniversary, in Chicago, according to a release by Therrel B. Fest, the organization's national president. Dr. Fest Associate Professor of Speech at the University of Colorado, was in Chicago to preside over the three-day (April 12-14) program to be held at the Hotel Sherman.

According to Dr. Fest's announcement, the 19 honorees have been "selected from 19 000 alumni by a committee of scholars for their outstanding contributions to the welfare of their fellow man through the ethical and effective use of speech," and they are "symbolic of the importance of speech training in all fields of endeavor."

Those who will receive the Distinguish Servcie Awards of DSR are the following: A. Craig Baird, Professor of Speech, Iowa State University; Edwin D. Ganhan, editor, Christian Science Monitor; William O. Douglas, U. S. Supreme Court Justice; H. L. Ewbank, Professor of Speech, University of Wisconsin; Virgil M. Hancher, president, University of Iowa; Hubert H. Humphrey, U. S. Senator from Minnesota; Robert M. Hutchins, president Fund for the Republic, Inc.; H. V. Kaltenborn, editor and radio commentator; Lawrence Kimpton, chancellor, University of Chicago; David E. Lilienthal, chair man, Atomic Energy Commission; Benjamin E. Mays, president, Morehouse College; Wayne Morse, U. S. Senator from Oregon; Helen C. Newman, librarian, U. S. Supreme Court; G. Bromley Oxman, bishop, Methodist Church; Clarence B. Randall, chairman, Inland Steel Company; Ralph W. Sockman, minister, Christ Church, New York Arthur T. Vanderbilt, Chief Justice, New Jersey Supreme Court; A. T. Weaver, Professor of Speech, University of Wisconsin; and James A. Winans, Professor Emeritus, Dartmouth College.

The banquet honoring the 19 was held Friday night, April 13. Senator Humphrey not only received one of the awards, but also delivered the principal address of the occasion. In addition to those 19 who received the Distinguished Service Award, others honored included: DSR founders, Burt E. Baker of Oregon, Max Loeb of Chicago and Horace G. Smith of Evanston, Illinois; and Harriett E. Grimm, first woman to be initiated into DSR.

Delta Sigma Rho is the nation's oldest forensic honorary society, celebrating this year fifty years in "service of free speech." On hand for the commemoration were over 600 alumni, students, faculty, sponsors and guests. Among well known DSR members attending the 50th anniversary meeting in Chicago or who sent messages are the following: John W. Bricker, U. S. Senator from Ohio; William M. Brucker, Secretary of the Army; Goodwin Knight, Governor of California; Henry R. Luce, publisher of Time and Life magazines; Millard Simpson, Governor of Wyoming; and Harold Stassen, Special Assistant to President Eisenhower.

Survey shows frats cling to JC while most racial barriers fall

Afro-American Baltimore Md.
Jan. 1-14-56
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NEW YORK (ANP)—Although restrictive membership clauses are disappearing from constitutions, America's college fraternities are still choosing their members on the basis of Aryanism, it is charged in a survey conducted by the National Committee on Fraternities in Education.

Written by Dr. Alfred McClung Lee, president of the NCFE and chairman of the Department of Anthropology and Sociology at Brooklyn College, the survey, "Fraternities Without Brotherhood," discloses that most college fraternities and sororities continue to accept and reject applicants on grounds of race, religion and national origin.

The survey encompassed 125 leading colleges which have 12 or more fraternities on their campuses.

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"ALTHOUGH IT is disappearing from formal documents," Dr. Lee reports, "Aryanism has not died out; in most cases it is very much alive even though underground."

Pointing out that fraternities have developed a variety of subterfuges for barring undesired applicants, Dr. Lee blames "fraternity professionals" and alumni for preventing chapters from pledging members of minority groups.

The NCFE, which includes prominent educators throughout the United States, finds only 10 of the 61 leading national men's fraternities and only one of the 32 leading women's sororities continue to retain formal religious and/or racial restriction.

"Very quietly—and, in all but one case, without written statements of policy—sororities segregate themselves even more effectively than fraternities do," Dr. Lee asserts.

Frats Biased, Survey Shows

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Sat. 1-14-56

NEW YORK — Most college fraternities practice racial discrimination either openly or secretly in the selection of members, a survey conducted by a Brooklyn college faculty member disclosed.

In announcing results of the survey, Dr. Alfred McClung Lee, president of the National Committee on Fraternities in Education and chairman of the department of anthropology and sociology at Brooklyn, said some of the fraternities still have written rules against members of certain races and religions. A much smaller number of sororities surveyed include such a restriction.

The number of fraternities with racial or religious bans were 10 of 61 interviewed. This compared with only one of 32 leading women' sororities with such restrictions.

Dr. Lee pointed out that although most fraternities and sorrities do not openly acknowledge discrimination in their rules, "in most cases it is very much alive, even though underground."

AKAs, Zetas, Omegas meet in Chattanooga

Afro-American P. 11 Sat. 3-31-56
Baltimore Md.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.—The city of Chattanooga will be the scene of much activity during the weekend of March 30 and 31, when the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Zeta Phi Beta and Alpha Kappa Alpha sororities convene here for regional meetings.

Delegates are expected from the states of Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Arkansas and Louisiana. The city and its business places are preparing for hundreds of vistors.

There will be prominent visitors and speakers from each organization. From Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Dr. Deborah Partridge grand basileus, from the Education Department of Queens College, Flushing New York, Mrs. Bettye S. Turner, Regional Director supervisor of home economic teachers of the State of Alabama; Mrs. Bernice Hunter, outstanding musician from Columbus, Miss., and Mrs. Mabel Scruggs of the Chattanooga chapter.

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FROM APHA KAPPA ALPHA Sorority, Mrs. Arnetta G. Wallace supreme basileus, a teacher in the public school system of Knoxville, Tenn., Miss Lois H. Daniel, Southeastern regional director librarian at Tennessee State A. and I. State University, Nashville, and Mrs. Ruth Wood, basileus of Pi Omega chapter, Chattanooga.

The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity will have Walter H. Reddick, grand keeper of records, Washington, D.C.; Lesley W. Beasely. Fifth District representative, Nashville, Tenn., and Bernard Burke of Kappa Iota chapter, Chattanooga.

Highlights of the Omegas will be the district Musical Talent Hunt Demonstrations. The program will feature contestants sponsored by various chapters in Tennessee and Kentucky. Miss Carolyn Scruggs, Howard Hi Junior, winner of the recent Local Talent Hunt Demonstration will represent Chattanooga on this program.

The Zeta Phi Beta Sorority and the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity will hold their business sessions at the James A. Henry Branch YMCA on Park Avenue with Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority holding theirs at the Second District junior high school, West Eleventh and Cedar Streets.

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THE JOINT PUBLIC PROGRAM to which the general public is invited will be held at the Howard High School auditorium on Friday night, March 30, at 8 o'clock. Selections will be offered by the Howard High School Choir under the direction of Mrs. Edmonia J. Simmons.

Greetings will be brought from the Alpha Phi Alpha and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternities and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. The Rev. H. H. Battle of First Baptist Church, Chattanooga, will give the invocation. Greek medleys will be played by Mrs. Jessie Martin of the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority at the piano, and Mrs. Bernice Hunter of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority will preside at the organ.

Chattanooga being a convention city, the people are planning for a lively weekend.

Greeks list schedule of events, conferences

Afro-American P. 8
Sat. 4-14-56
Baltimore, Md.

NEW YORK — A schedule of events sponsored by Greek-letter and civic organizations has been released by the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity.

It announced that the New York Pan-Hellenic Council will meet on May 2 and June 6. Other events this year included:

The Brooklyn Alumni chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity will give a spring formal at Club 65 April 13.

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ON APRIL 13 and 14, the Northeast Regional Conference of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority will be held with Iota Sigma as host chapter.

The eighth annual Tidewater Band Night will be sponsored by Beta Sigma Chapter, Phi Beta Sigma fraternity at the Norfolk, Va. Municipal auditorium.

On the band night program will be the Washington High School band, United States Army Concert band, Soldiers Chorus and William E. Doar Jr., national executive secretary of the fraternity.

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THE EASTERN Regional Conference of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity will be held April 21 at the 135th St. YMCA.

On April 21 and 22, a Regional conference of the National Council of Negro Women will be held at Paterson N.J.

Erroll Garner and Vinnette Carroll will be presented in the annual scholarship benefit recital to be presented by Kappa Beta Sigma chapter of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity, April 29, at Town Hall, New York.

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DELTA MU ZETA chapter of Zeta Phi Beta sorority will hold its annual benefit tea for Camp Minisink in Victory Mutual Auditorium May 13.

Sigma Day will be observed at Lincoln University, Pa. on May 13.

On May 15, the New York Pan - Hellenic Council will present a mass rally in commemoration of the second anniversary of the Supreme Court decision on segregation at Abyssinia Baptist Church.

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DELTA MU ZETA chapter of Zeta Phi Beta sorority will present the autumn frollic at Carlton Terrace Ballroom, October 26.

On November 10, there will be a fashion show of Maria Lawton Center for Older People at the Towers Hotel.

Los Angeles Pan-Hellenic to hold first awards banquet

Los Angeles Pan-Hellenic Council will close its activities for the year 1956 with an awards banquet at the Bit of Sweden next Friday evening, June 15, at 8 pm.

Highlights of the evening will be the awarding of the Pan-Hellenic Cup to an outstanding Angeleno. Scrolls of Merit will be presented to each of 8 participating Greek organizations for contributions to economic, social and cultural Los Angeles.

Dr. Samuel H. Leger, chairman of the Social Science Dept. and professor of sociology at Pepperdine college, will speak on "Integrated Cultures."

Mrs. Norma Earles, chairman, Alpha Kappa Alpha, urges all Greeks to attend. Tickets may be secured by contacting members of any of the following: Alpha Kappa Alpha, Alpha Phi Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta, Kappa Alpha Psi, Sigma Gamma Rho, Phi Beta Sigma, Zeta Phi Beta, Omega Psi Phi.

Dr. G. W. Gore, Jr. Named On Executive Board Of "Greeks"

TALLAHASSEE -- Dr. George W. Gore, Jr., President of Florida A and M University, has been appointed a member of the executive committee of the Association of College Honor Societies, which is the Pan Hellenic group composed of leading honor societies in American colleges and universities. Dr. Gore has been a member of the Association since the admission to membership of Alpha Kappa Mu National Honor Society in 1950. His appointment to the executive committee was made by Mrs. M. Stanley Ginn of the University of Missouri, National President of the organization.

President Gore is the founder of Alpha Kappa Mu and is a past president of the Society. He is currently serving as national secretary treasurer.

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16 INDUCTEES INTO PHI BETA KAPPA HONORARY SOCIETY CHAPTER AT HOWARD UNIVERSITY

HENRY T. SMITH *(Portsmouth, Va.)* | CAROL A. BIBBLE *(Washington, D.C.)* | GORDON M. BAIRD *(Georgetown, B.G.)* | LOUISE JOHNSON *(Kansas City, Mo.)*

RUTH L. FULLER *(Long Island City, N.Y.)* | RIBTON M. WADE *(Jamaica, B.W.I.)* | LOIS A. YOUNG *(Baltimore, Md.)* | KENNETH KING *(Georgetown, B.G.)*

LOUIS C. JONES *(Lexington, Ky.)* | JEAN M. BOTTOM *(Atlanta, Ga.)* | VERNON STRAUGHN *(Kitty, B.G.)* | ADDRIANNE ROBERTS *(Jamaica, B.W.I.)*

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16 to enter Phi Beta Kappa honorary frat at Howard

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Sat. 4-28-56

WASHINGTON

Sixteen college of liberal arts students at Howard University will be inducted into Phi Beta Kappa, the national scholastic honor society, April 30.

The ceremonies will be held at Andrew Rankin Memorial Chapel. Dr. Charl O. Williams, vice president of the Phi Beta Kappa Association of Washington, will speak on "My 45 Days and 10,000 Miles in Russia."

Gamma Chapter is in its fourth year at Howard. Its charter was installed in 1953 following authorization by the United Chapters of Phi Beta Kappa at Lexington, Ky. as the result of the unanimous endorsement of South Atlantic colleges at Davidson, N.C. in 1951.

MONDAY'S INDUCTEES will bring the number of members installed by Gamma of D.C. to 57. The group includes 56 students and one teacher, Dr. E. Franklin Frazier, professor of sociology at Howard.

Baltimore, Md.

Among the third - year students to be inducted are: Newton B. Adams, Jamaica, B.W.I.: Miss Ruth L. Fuller, Long Island City, N.Y.; Louis C. Jones, Lexington, Ky.; Henry T. Smith, Portsmouth, Va.

Four - year students to be installed include: Gordon M. Bard, Georgetown, British Guiana; Miss Jean M. Bottoms Atlanta; Arthur Burt, Jamaica, B.W.I.;

Miss Carol A. Dibble, Miss Patricia A. Flynn, and Mrs. Gladys G. Handy, all of Washington; Miss Louise I. Johnson, Kansas City, Mo.;

Kenneth King, Georgetown, British Guiana; Miss Adrianne A. Roberts, Jamaica, B.W.I.; Vernon Straughn, Kitty, British Guiana; Ribton M. Wade, Jamaica, B.W.I.; and Miss Lois A. Young, Baltimore.

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PI DELTA PHI NATIONAL FRENCH HONOR SOCIETY

Tenn. State Gets Society Charter

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Sat. 3-31-56

NASHVILLE — Charter has been granted Tennessee State university for a Pi Delta Phi National French Honor Society chapter, Dr. Alma T. Watkins, modern foreign languages department head, was informed last week.

Chicago, Ill.

The announcement came from Dr. Louis E. Rickter national president, of Oregon State college, Corvallis, Ore.

The chapter's installation will take place April 3. Students who will become charter members are: Frank Frazer, Montreal, Quebec; David L. Terrell, Tuskegee Institute, Ala.; Henry Hanna, Decherd, Tenn.; Myrtle Johnson, Lebanon, Tenn.; and George F. Berry, Eleanor C. Jones, Inez Mitchell, Clara Katherine Edwards, Ada F. Dotson, and Ernestine Washinton all of Nashville.

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NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL

National Pan-Hellenic Council Here May 18-19

Call Kansas City, Mo.
Fri. 5-18-56

The 27th annual meeting of the National Pan-Hellenic Council will be held in Kansas City May 18-19 with headquarters at the Parkview hotel, 1000 the Paseo.

Business sessions will consume the major part of the two-day meeting. A banquet Saturday evening at the Paseo YWCA will culminate the activities of the convention. Girard T. Bryant, administrative assistant at the Manual high school will be the speaker.

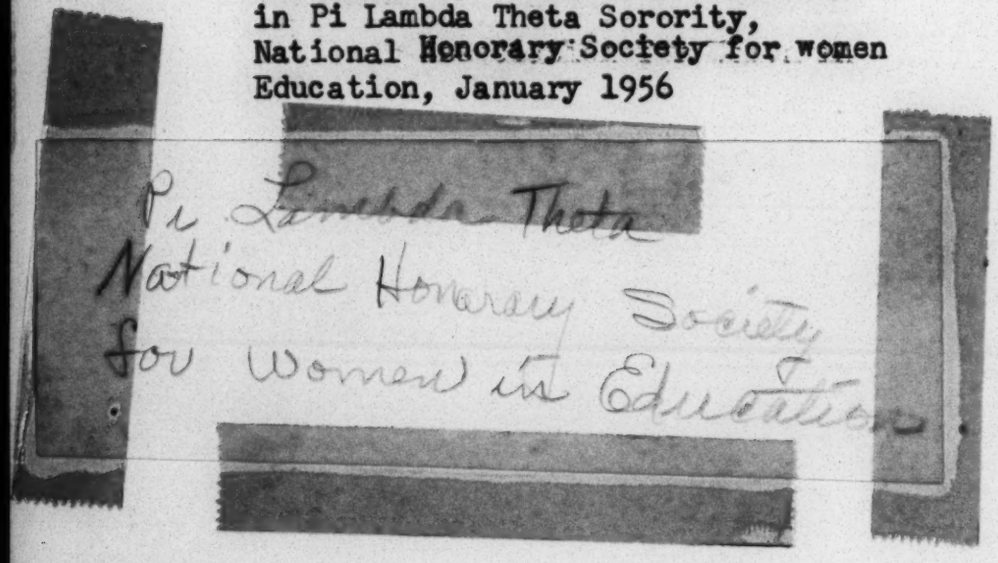
The Pan-Hellenic Council is composed of representatives from eight Greek letter scholastic organizations, the council serving as a clearing house for the groups.

J. Ernest Wilkins, assistant secretary of labor, is chairman of the national council.

The Pan-Hellenic Council of Greater Kansas City of which Leon Ollison is chairman will be host to the national body.

MRS. PEARL WALKER HEADD

Mrs. Pearl Walker Headd,
member of the Faculty, Tuskegee
Institute (Department of Education)
on Study Leave at Indiana Univ.,
Bloomington, Indiana was inducted
in Pi Lambda Theta Sorority,
National Honorary Society for women
Education, January 1956



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Sigma Phi Inducts 2 Negro Students

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., Feb. 18 (UP).—Two Negro students, around whom centered a major controversy within the national society of Sigma Phi, were initiated into the Williams College chapter of the fraternity Saturday.

The ceremony took place without fanfare as the Negroes joined other new pledgees at the indoctrination proceedings. College officials and the chapter refused to identify the Negroes and insisted that the initiation be conducted as a routine matter.

Earlier this month, the national society of Sigma Phi condemned the Williams chapter for pledging Negroes and called on its 3,000 members to expel the unit. Both the college and Williams chapter replied, in effect, "We will judge these men on their merits or get out." The forty undergraduate members and nine alumni trustees of the chapter carried the fight to New York City where a meeting was called to consider the action.

Williams representatives based their stand on a long-standing rule that no fraturnity could remain on the campus whose "chapter is not free to elect to membership any individual on the basis of his merit as a person." Williams won the New York fight.

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Probe frat exclusion at MIT

BY CONRAD CLARK

BOSTON, Mass. — Eight of Massachusetts Institute of Technology's 25 fraternities have affiliation with national organizations which condone discrimination in membership, a special legislative committee was told Thursday at a State House hearing.

Dean of Students John T. Rule told the committee that all MIT chapters have consistently fought for repeal of these (discriminatory) clauses at their national conventions.

Several faculty and fraternity representatives from different colleges testified before the committee investigating the national Kappa Sorority's expulsion of its Jackson College chapter after the chapter had pledged two colored girls last spring.

REP. SUMNER Z. KAPLAN (D-Brookline) said that the committee might consider legislation to require that state supported schools outlaw racial or religious discrimination clauses in their campus organizations.

The group will also look into the advisability of proposing severance of local chapters from national groups which practice discrimination.

Dean Rule, who was one of the many testifying, counseled that forced resignation of fraternities would prevent them from fighting discrimination, adding that "they can do more good on the national scene in the fight to get rid of discrimination than by chopping themselves off."

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DEAN KATHERINE R. JEFFERS of Jackson College told the committee there has been nothing but "dead silence" from Sigma Kappa Sorority headquarters regarding her inquiry as to the reason for withdrawal of the local's charter.

She also said that the members of the expelled chapter, including the two colored girls, have stayed together.. "but haven't chosen another home."

Any move to reestablish Sigma Kappa on the Medford campus would be "opposed," by her, she said.

The committee's administrative assistant, Richard N. Goodwin of Brookline, said the national sorority had been invited to send officials to the hearing.

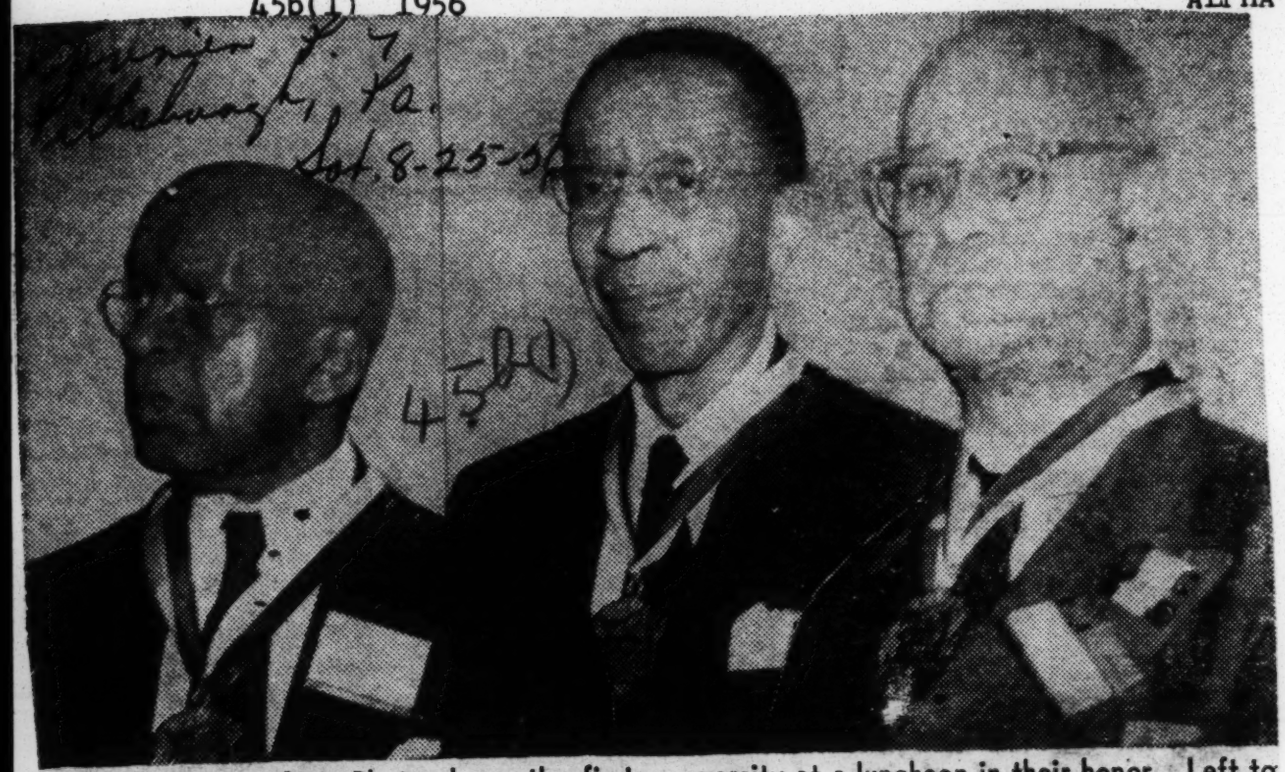
He added that the national office had telegraphed that it would hold the committee "responsible" for any publicity resulting at the hearing. "We accept that responsibility," he said, "We have given them adequate opportunity to be heard."

MR. GOODWIN FURTHER said that a study disclosed that Tufts and the University of Mass. have fraternities, whose national by-laws have racial or religious restrictions.

James W. Burke, secretary of the University of Massachusetts, said a Sigma Kappa Sorority has been there since 1944 "and at no time has it shown discrimination in its practices."

He added that the university would "support Sigma Kappa if it gets into trouble with the national society because of pledging. The students are working constantly to meet any question of discrimination. They are getting more out of it by fighting the battle themselves."

INITIATED—Mrs. Joyce B. Engram, assistant professor of business education at Bethune-Cookman College, Daytona Beach, Fla., was recently initiated into Alpha Chapter of Delta Pi Epsilon, National Honorary Graduate Fraternity in Business Education at New York University, where she pursues her post graduate study in business education.



Real Jewels—Photo shows the first display of the gold medallions being worn by the founders of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity still living. The medallions were presented at Cornell University at a luncheon in their honor. Left to right are Jewel George Kelley, Henry A. Callis and Jewel Nathaniel A. Murray.—Hill Photo.

50th Anniversary 'The Greatest'

1,200 Alphas Jam Buffalo for Confab

By FRANK E. BOLDEN

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Over 1,200 delegates, representing more than 25,000 members of Alpha Phi Alpha, the first Negro college fraternity, convened at the Hotel Statler in celebration of its 50th anniversary, and the session will go down in fraternal history as the "greatest."

Minus much of the hoop-la, which generally highlights such conventions, Alpha men, their wives and sweethearts, were treated to a stimulating program based upon the theme: "Building on the Past . . . to Face the Challenges of the Future."

Alpha Phi Alpha, now interracial with 111 undergraduate, two intermediate and 141 graduate chapters in 36 states, D. C. and the British West Indies, is quite active in the fight for Civil Rights and total integration.

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IT WAS most fitting, therefore, that Frank L. Stanley, general president of the fraternity, should be the one to open the meeting with the statement that the convention would be devoted to an examination of the accomplishments of the group during the half-century of its existence and a projection of aims for the future.

A brilliant array of speakers, interspersed with excellent music by soloists and the Alpha Glee Club, climaxed by a trip to Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., the birthplace of Alpha Phi Alpha, where a $25,000 Memorial Scholarship Fund was presented to the university and 50th Anniversary Medallions to the living Jewels of the fraternity, Henry A. Callis, George B. Kelly and Nathaniel Murray, and to the families of the deceased Jewels, made the five-day program a memorable one.

Tuesday's agenda featured addresses by John Leary, vice president of the Chrysler Corporation, and Branch Rickey, chairman of the board of the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Wednesday, it was John Sherman Cooper of Kentucky, former ambassador to India, and a well-received musical concert by Brother Duke Ellington and his orchestra, which highlighted the day.

Thursday, found the Grand Ballroom of the hotel packed to capacity throughout the morning and afternoon sessions, with the program being devoted to Civil Rights.

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FIRST, IT was Brother Arthur D. Shores of Birmingham, Ala., civil rights attorney, who has handled several important cases, including that of Mrs. Autherine Lucy Foster, who received the big hand, after his informative address. He was followed by Robert Schering, president of the Curtis Candy Company, who gave an interesting talk on "Brotherhood."

In the afternoon, the women held forth, with Mrs. Robert L. Vann, president of the Pittsburgh Courier, presiding as mistress of ceremonies, and Mrs. Foster holding the spotlight. It was the first time in the fraternity's history that women had a major part on a convention program.

That evening, the Hon. Averell Harriman, Governor of New York, greeted by Mayor Steven Pankow of Buffalo, and introduced by Councilman Earl Brown of New York City, and Brother Charles H. Wesley, president of Central State College, gained thunderous ovations from the large crowd at Kleinhans Hall, following stirring addresses.

Friday was devoted to business sessions, and Saturday to the trip to Cornell, the formal banquet and closed dance in the Grand Ballroom of the hotel.

Mrs. Anna E. Singleton, now blind, who was the housemother when the founders of the fraternity organized it, back in 1906, received a warm, standing ovation, following her remarks, and was accepted as the "Mother of Alpha Phi Alpha."

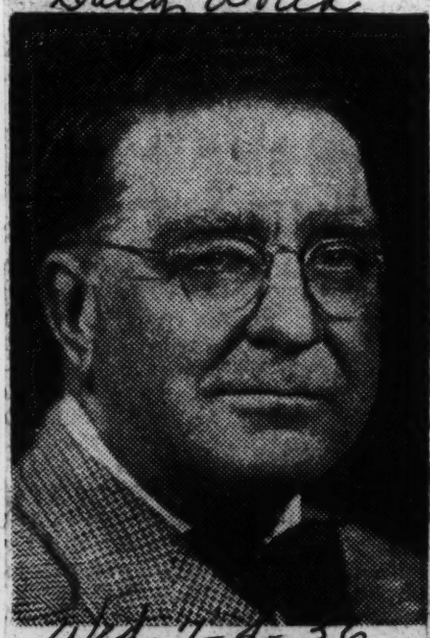
Also on the Thursday program was Dr. Philip Davidson, president of the University of Louisville, who explained how that school effected complete integration without incident. This was accomplished before the Supreme Court ruling on school desegregation.

Dr. Wesley urged the delegates and general public to use the ballot to rid the Congress of the likes of Senator Eastland and congressmen who would imply that the racial problem was not serious here in the United States. "We want Congressmen who will uphold all of the amendments of the Constitution and who will tell the truth to the world," he thundered. These remarks figuratively "brought down the house."

Four Seek Alpha Office in 1957

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Four men have been nominated as candidates for the presidency of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity. Seeking office in the elections, set for 1957, are Judge Myles Paige of Brooklyn, N. Y.; J. Rupert Picott of Richmond, Va.; W. H. Williams of Jackson, Miss., and Byron Rumford of Berkeley, Calif.

Branch Rickey To Address Alpha Convention



BRANCH RICKEY

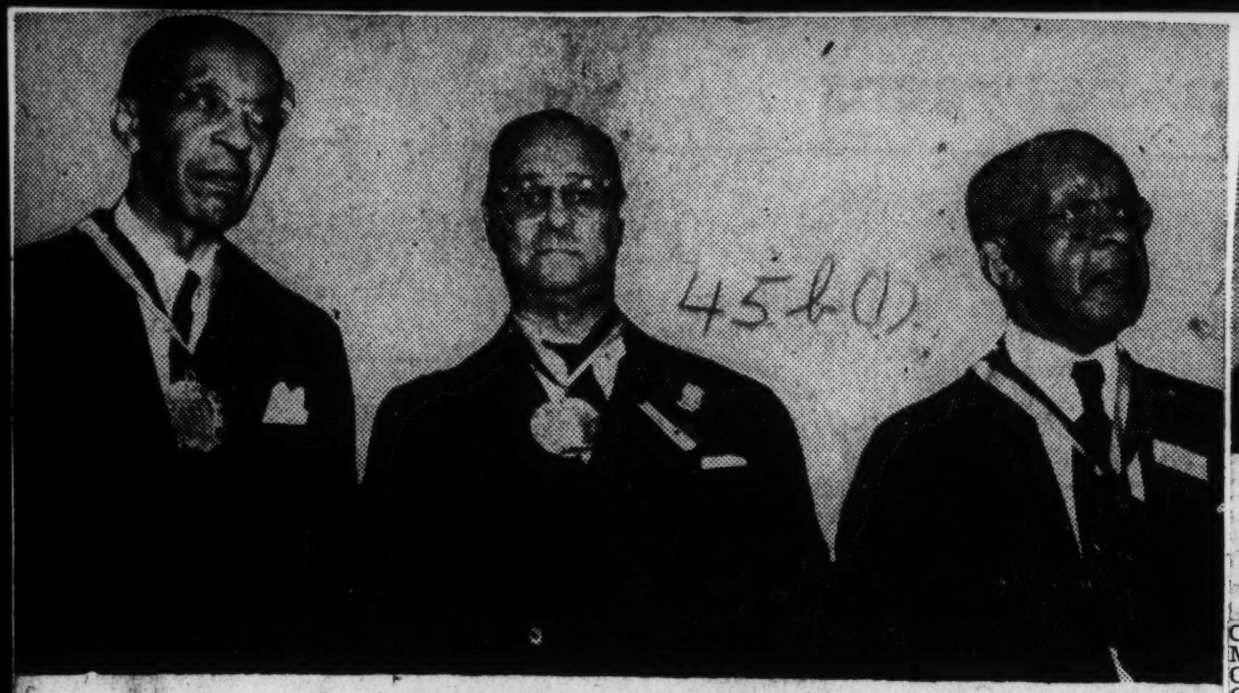
One of the highlights of the 50th Anniversary Convention of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity will be an address by Branch Rickey, head of the Pittsburgh Pirates and long recognized as the man responsible for the entrance of Negro baseball players into the major leagues.

In 1947 Rickey astounded the sports world by signing Jackie Robinson to a contract with Montreal, a farm club of the Brooklyn Dodgers which Rickey then headed. The following year Rickey made Robinson a member of the Dodgers, establishing racial democracy in organized baseball for the first time.

Rickey has been the recipient of many awards for humanitarianism, among them the Brigh Sholom National Sports Award, the Russwurm Award from Bethune-Cookman College, Howard University and Morgan State University.

A public speaker of national re-

putation, Rickey will appear at one of the public meetings at the Alpha Phi Alpha confab which will be held in Buffalo, New York, August 6-11.



Alpha Founders Honored

Journal + Guide Norfolk, Va.

The living founders, called Jewels, of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., are shown as they were honored at the 50th anniversary celebration of the fraternity, held at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., and in Buffalo, from Aug. 7-11.

Sat. 8-25-56

They are, left to right: Henry A. Callis, Nathaniel A. Murray and George B. Kelley. Fiftieth anniversary medallions were awarded to the trio, along with representatives of the families of the four deceased Jewels.

The deceased Jewels are Robert Ogle, Vernner W. Tandy, Eugene Kinckle Jones and Charles H. Chapman.

Branch Rickey Sr. (left), chairman of the board of directors of the Pittsburgh Pirates Baseball Club, is shown after being introduced to the Alphas' Buffalo (N. Y.) convention by Malvin Goode, Pittsburgh Courier advertising representative.

Three prominent convention figures huddle at the speakers' rostrum during a lull in the proceedings at the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity sessions in Buffalo, N. Y. Left to right: General President Frank L. Stanley Sr. of Louisvile, Ky.; John Sherman Cooper of New York, and Tolly Harris of Oklahoma.

Alphas install officers, honor 25-year members

Afro-American Sat. 12-15-56

Baltimore Md.

WASHINGTON — Officers of Mu Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity were installed and members of 25 or more years' standing were honored at the monthly chapter meeting Thursday night.

The ceremony, conducted at the Alpha House, 1800 New Hampshire Ave., NW., marked observance of the 50th anniversary of the fraternity and the 33rd of the chapter.

The officers for the coming year were installed by Dr. J. Rupert Picott, Eastern vice-president of Alpha Phi Alpha, and certificates were presented to the 25-members by Jewel Henry A. Callis.

Short talks were also delivered by Belford V. Lawson and Victor Daly. William F. Nelson is president of Mu Lambda Chapter.

Members honored for 25 or more years' membership were:

Smallwood Ackiss, Norris H. Atkins, Richard R. Atkinson, Charles H. Baltimore, Walter M. Booker, Kennie R. Brown, Charles E. Burbridge, George O. Butler, Jewel Henry A. Callis, Albert I. Cassell;

Oliver B. Cassell, James A. Cobb, Theodus R. Conner, Chauncey I. Cooper, Merrill H. Curtis, Victor R. Daly, Eugene Davidson, Frank F. Davis, Gilford W. Davis, Samuel B. Danley;

Millard R. Dean, Russell A. Dixon, Albert L. DeMond, Norris A. Dodson, William S. Dougherty, Lewis K. Downing, John C. Eason Jr., Daniel W. Edmonds, James C. Evans, James A. Fairfax, Gorham C. Fletcher;

Ralph S. Garner, Walter Garvin, Jason Clifton Grant Jr., William L. Hansberry, Alva Bernard Harper, Norman W. Harris Sr., Eugene C. Holmes, Daniel G. Hill, C. C. House, Edward W. Howard;

John W. Howard, Albert R. Hughes, Robert S. Jason, George G. Jefferson, George L. Johnson, Joseph L. Johnson, Melvin L. Johnson, Phillip T. Johnson, R. Frank Jones, Harold B. Jordan;

Nunley Keets, W. Warrick Cardozo, Emmer Martin, Lancaster, John W. Lawlah, Belford V. Lawson, Warner Lawson, Arnett G. Lindsay, Cervera R. Little, William G. Lofton Sr. Rayford W. Logan, Booker T. McGraw;

Fred D. Maise, Joseph M. Millender, H. Reginald Mitchell, George B. Murphy Jr., William F. Nelson, Walter Payton, Harry L. Pelham, Paul E. Piper, James A. Porter, Kline A. Price;

J. St. Clair Price, Leon N. Reeves, Hubert L. Reeves, Addison E. Richmond, W. Napoleon Rivers, Harry G. Robinson, Jr., Henry S. Robinson Jr., Hilyard R. Robinson, Verdie L. Robinson, Louis N. Russell; 25

Set 50th Alpha Confab On Campus

Defender Chicago, Ill
Sat. 4-7-56

NASHVILLE — Alpha Phi Alpha's 1955 achievement award winning undergraduates chapter, Beta Omicron at Tennessee State, is sponsoring a 50th anniversary celebration of the founding of the fraternity, April 13-15.

Chi at Fisk university, Alpha Chi at Meharry Medical college, and Tau Lambda, local graduate chapter, will participate in the three-day program which will be held at Tennessee State university.

Opening convocation speaker will be Dr. George W. Gore, jr., president of Florida A and M university, a native Nashvillian and former Tennessee State dean who helped established undergraduate chapters at Fisk and Tennessee State.

Alpha Phi Alpha's national president, Frank L. Stanley of Louisville, Ky., editor and publisher of the Louisville (Ky.) Defender, is also listed among the speakers.

During the celebration, six men will be given achievement awards. They are Tenn. State university's president, Dr. W. S. Davis, Thurgood Marshall, Congressman Adam C. Powell, Frank L. Stanley, Dr. Gore, jr., and Rev. Martin Luther King.

Citations will be presented to Dr. Charles S. Johnson, president, Fisk; Dr. Harold D. West, president of Meharry and James Huger of Chicago, Ill., the fraternity's executive secretary.

Other phases of the program will include the recital appearance of Miss Alpha Brawner, soprano, of Spellman college, April 15; banquet, Friday, April 13, and dance, Saturday, April 14.

Alphas Aid NAACP

Defender 4-14-56

A $2,500 check has been presented to the NAACP by Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity to help the NAACP in its campaign for first-class citizenship for Americans.

ARTHUR D. SHORES

JOHN D. LEARY

REV. M. L. KING

Daily World
Atlanta, Ga.
P. 1

APPEARING AS PRINCIPALS on the program of the 50th Anniversary Convention of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity (Left to Right) will be Atty. Arthur D. Shores, John D. Leary and Rev. M. L. King, Jr. Mr. Shores, prominent lawyer of Birmingham, Alabama, was chief counsel for Miss Autherine Lucy. John D. Leary has been associated with the Chrysler Corporation for the past 15 years. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a native of Atlanta, Georgia, is widely known as the leader of the Montgomery, Alabama, bus protest. The young minister, pastor of Dexter Avenue Baptist Church of Montgomery will be the principal speaker at the annual banquet of the fraternity.

1,500 Attend Convention

$25,000 Study Fund Set Up By Alphas

BUFFALO, N. Y. — Establishment of a $25,000 memorial scholarship fund at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., highlighted the 50th aniversary convention of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., here last week. A total of 1,500 Alpha men and their families attended the five-day meet.

Journal and

A check for $12,500 as an initial payment on the scholarship fund was made by the fraternity president Frank L. Stanley to Dr. Lloyd Elliott, executive assistant to the president of Cornell.

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4-14-56

FIFTIETH anniversary medallions were presented to the founders, called jewels, during the celebration. The three surviving founders are Henry A. Callis, of Washington, D. C.; George B. Kelley, of Troy, N. Y.; and Nathaniel A. Murray, of Los Angeles.

Medallions for the four deceased founders, Robert Ogle, Vertner W. Tandy, Eugene Kinckle Jones and Charles H. Chapman, were accepted by members of their families.

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PROMINENT speakers included Governor Averell Harriman, of New York; John Sherman Cooper, United States Ambassador to India; John D. Leary, director of labor relations for the Chrysler Corporation; Attorney Arthur D. Shores, of Birmingham, Ala., who defended the former Miss Autherine Lucy during her fight to gain admittance to Ala. U.

Also Robert Schnering, president of the Curtiss Candy Company of Chicago; Mrs. Autherine Lucy Foster; Mrs. Anna E. Singleton, the "Mother of Alpha Phi Alpha"; Dr. Phillip Davidson, president of the University of Louisville; Branch Rickey, former Brooklyn Dodger president who brought Jackie Robinson into orgnized baseball; and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., leader of the internationally famous Montgomery, Ala. bus boycott movement.

Pat. 8-25-56

HIGHLIGHTS of some of the speeches included the following:

"The United States must assure the freedom of all of its people if we are to be able to convince other nations of our right to world leadership."—Ambassador Cooper.

"The future holds unlimited opportunity for all of the people of the United States, regardless of race, color or nationality. Automation and other technological advances will put a premium on brains rather than brawn."—Mr. Leary.

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"**THE VALUE** of the human being and the rights of the individual will never be secure in the face of racial discrimination."—Mr. Rickey, who also received an award from the fraternity for "outstanding contribution to democracy in the field of sports and business."

The brotherhood was "born on the heels of slavery and on the lap of discrimination, and the concerns of the group are still centered on the development of integrity, character and scholarship."—A. Maceo

mith, former president of the fraternity.

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ATTORNEY SHORES called upon the Federal government to provide the constitutional guarantees that would see that every citizen enjoyed equal protection of the laws and warned that the ideals of this nation could never be realized until discrimination had disappeared.

"We cannot draw up a double, contradictory set of standards for our national conduct. We cannot have one set of principles for one and deny the same to others. We cannot defer or postpone putting brotherhood into action to a later time, no matter how difficult may be the case at hand."—Mr. Schnering.

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AS PRINCIPAL speaker in a program devoted to women's activities connected with the fraternity, Mrs. Foster pleaded for a world which would no longer observe racial standards but, instead. would be governed by world standards.

Dr. Davidson told the approximately 1,500 delegates to the convention the story about the integration of the University of Louisville and the ease with which it had been accomplished in the "Gateway to the South."

DR. M. L. KING, JR.
One of Speakers

THE EDUCATOR attrbiuted the absence of a single racial incident in this first college south of the Ohio River to fully integrate its program to the change in Louisville to an industrial community; the influx of new citizens with new ideas; and enlightened and helpful press; and a cooperative mayor and city government.

Others taking leading parts in the convention included: Mrs. Robert L. Vann, president of the Pittsburgh Courier, chairman of the women's program; Mrs. Charlotte Wesley Holloman, operatic soprano and daughter of former Alpha president Charles H. Wesley; Mayor C. Ryan, of Ithaca; Dr. G. Alex Galvin, of Ithaca; Roscoe O. Giles, a former national president of Alpha and the first Negro to graduate from the Cornell medical school, and Dr. William H. Hale, of Clark University, director of the organization's educational activities.

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IN A RESOLUTION unanimously adopted, the convention called upon the Republican and Democratic parties to adopt strong civil rights planks if they would avoid "forfeiting their rights to the support of the American people at the polls and their vindication in the eyes of mankind."

Most sessions took place at the convention headquarters, Buffalo's Hotel Statler. A charter bus service took delegates on a pilgrimage to Cornell, at Ithaca, where the scholarship fund was presented to the University.

Scholarship Fund Begun By Alphas

Daily World 8-15-56
Atlanta, Ga.

ITHACA, N.Y. — A check for $12,500.00 as an initial payment towards the establishment of a $25,000.00 Memorial Scholarship Fund at Cornell University was presented to the University by Frank L. Stanley, Sr., President of the Alpha Phi Alpha, to highlight the Fraternity's 50th Anniversary pilgrimage to the campus where Alpha was founded.

A throng of 920 Alpha men, their wives and sweethearts, witnessed the ceremonies in the swank Statler Club on the University campus Dr. Lloyd Elliot, executive assistant to the president of Cornell, accepted the memorial scholarship.

MEDALS PRESENTED

Another highlight of the day's activities was the presentation of 50th Anniversary Medallions to the Jewels (founders) of the fraternity. Three surviving members of the founding chapter, Henry A. Callis of Washington, D. C; Georye B. Kelley of Troy, N. Y; and Nathaniel A. Murray of Los Angeles, California, were recipients.

Families of the deceased founders, Robert Ogle, Vertner W. Tandy, Eugene Kinckle Jones and Charles H. Chapman received the other medallions.

Mayor C. Ryan of Ithaca welcomed the dentourage that traveled from Buffalo via 15-car train.

Serving as toastmaster was Dr. G. Alex Galvin, a prominent physician of Ithaca, an Alpha man and a member of the medical faculty at Cornell.

FORMER PRESIDENT

Roscoe G. Giles, a former national president of Alpha Phi Alpha and the first Negro to graduate from the Medical School of Cornell introduced the founders.

Appearing also on the program was Dr. William H. Hale, of Clark College, director of Educational Activities of Alpha Phi Alpha.

In accepting the Memorial Scholarship, Dr. Elliot said that the award was another significant chapter in the life of Cornell University.

President Stanley in presenting the scholarship said that it would be available to any qualified student "regardless of race, creed or sex."

EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS

He pointed out that the 900-odd members of the pilgrimage to Ithaca exceeded expectations by 400. However, he said, thanks to the efficient charter bus service to and from the Buffalo and Ithaca stations the transportation was efficiently handled.

About 700 Alphas registered for the five-day Buffalo Convention, according to James E. Huger, General Secretary. The total of registrants including wives, children and visitors swelled the total to 1,500.

Alpha Phi Alpha sets up $25,000 fund at Cornell

Afro-American 8-25-56
Baltimore Md.

ITHICA, N.Y. — As highlights of its 50th anniversary celebration, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity established a $25,000 Memorial Scholarship Fund at Cornell University here last week.

Some 920 Alpha men, their wives and sweethearts, witnessed the ceremonies as Frank L. Stanley Sr., Alpha president, presented a $12,500 check as initial payment toward the fund.

Dr. Lloyd Elliot, executive assistant to the president of Cornell, the campus of Alpha's founding, accepted the check on behalf of the university.

The ceremonies were held in the swank Statler Club on the university campus. Regular convention sessions were at Hotel Statler in Buffalo.

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Incidentally, Mr. Giles is the first of his race to graduate from Cornell's medical school. He is also a former national president of Alpha.

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Dr. G. Alex Galvin, prominent physician of Ithica, an Alpha and member of the medical faculty of Cornell, was toastmaster.

Mayor C. Ryan welcomed the entourage that traveled from Buffalo via a 15-car train. Mr. Stanley noted that only 400 were expected to make the trip. Some 1,500 registered for the Buffalo convention.

Alphamen Get Set For 50th Year Program

Journal & Guide 8-25-56
Norfolk, Va.

CHICAGO — General President Frank L. Stanley of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity recently discussed the program of the 50th Anniversary Alphacade to be held in Buffalo, N. Y. August 8 with Duke Ellington who will be featured in the concert, and James E. Huger, general secretary.

This will be one of the features of the 50th anniversary convention of the fraternity August 7 to 11. Ellington is a member of the fraternity.

A special chorus of 100 undergraduate voices, under the direction of Eddie T. Goins, director of choir, Tennessee State University; Fred Hall, director of music, Southern University; and Otis D. Simmons, director of choir, Philander Smith College, will render a special program as a part of the Alphacade.

An undergraduate group from Florida A. and M. University, under the direction of Moses G. Miles, will give a dramatic presentation of the founding of the fraternity.

Dowdal H. Davis of Kansas City, Mo., will narrate the program.

ALPHAS RENAME PREXY; PICK HALE FOR POST

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CHICAGO — (SNS) — Frank L. Stanley, publisher of the Louisville Defender, was reelected General President of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity at the group's recent convention in Chicago and will serve through the August, 1957 convention to be held in Los Angeles. Dr. William H. Hale of the Clark College faculty was elected Director of Education.

Other officers elected were: James E. Huger, general secretary; Meredith Ferguson, general treasurer; Billy Jones, general counsel; W. Barton Beaty, editor of The Sphinx; J. Rupert Picott, Eastern vice president, Frank DaCosta, assistant; C. Anderson Davis, Midwestern vice president and William A. Lester, assistant; Jesse S. Chandler, Southwestern vice president and Harold R. Sims, assistant; Louis O. Swingler, Southern vice president and Clarence E. Branch, assistant; Samuel P. DeBose, Western vice president and Jim John assistant.

It was during the Chicago Convention that the Fraternity urged top-ranking federal officials to "invoke the authority and coordinate jurisdiction of the national government in the protection of the traditional rights of life, liberty, property and happiness of American citizens of color who have been and are now victims of the antagonists of the Supreme Court decision of May 17th."

In its message to President Eisenhower, FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover and U. S. Attorney General Brownell, the fraternity said: "We confidently believe that the Constitutional rights of American citizens are being violated ..... in many parts of the South and particularly in the State of Mississippi.

"Organized efforts are being made by representatives of elevent states to nullify the effect of the Supreme Court's decision against segregated education."

"We call upon you, Mister President, Mister Attorney General and Mister Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, to secure the facts of terrorism, economic coercion and boycott, the repression of the freedoms of speech, action and choice resulting in the loss of lives.

"Unless some action is undertaken, nullification of federal processes will again raise its ugly head on our history. Prompt action now, rather than further neglect, will aid our advance toward greater democracy and practice of religion. We urge that immediate action be taken upon this request unanimously adopted by our convention assembled at Chicago, Illinois December 30, 1955."

Dr. Theodore M. Howard of Mound Bayou, Miss. received the Alpha Award of Merit and addressed the public meeting of some 3,000 people. John H. Johnson of the publishing company which bears his name addressed the formal banquet of 1,200 Alpha Wives and sweethearts. Johnson was the recipient of the Alpha Medal of Honor.

Attorney Charles W. Anderson, Jr., of Louisville delivered the keynote address; Dr. S. S. Booker of Youngstown, Ohio made the fraternal address; Nathan A. Murray of Los Angeles gave the annual Founders Address.

The National Headquarters at 4432 South Park in Chicago was dedicated with past General President A. Maceo Smith as principal speaker. Over 700 delegates and members registered for the historic meeting culminating the fraternity's 49th year with the theme: "Desegregation Mode, Total Integration the Goal."

The fraternity launched a $50,000 Foundation, created a national commission on vocational guidance and counseling and raised a thousand dollars for the relief of Mississippi victims of atrocities and economic pressure.

Mississippi was singled out for particular criticism.

The Alpha Phi Alpha delegates asked the government to 'protect the right of cititzens ..... of our republic."

Alpha Fraternity Has Given NAACP $2500

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CHICAGO, Ill. — General President Frank L. Stanley has announced that Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity has given $2,500 to the NAACP to help in the fight to obtain first-class citizenship for all Americans.

Stanley stated that Alpha is shocked at the many violations of human decency all over the South and that the Fraternity is rallying to the cause, not only with words, but with dollars.

A call has gone out to all Alpha men to support "Dollars For Freedom In Alabama" by contributions, personal and group, and by joining the "give an hour's salary movement." Stanley further stated "... until all men are free, then none of us can consider ourselves free — for we are our brothers keeper."

Alphas Urge Enforcement Of Court Rule

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CHICAGO,—(INS)— Delegates of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity unanimously adopted a resolution Saturday calling upon the Federal Government to enforce the ruling of the United States Supreme Court against segergated education.

The fraternity has a membership of 24,000 men in 242 chapters located throughout the nation.

In the resolution passed at the annual convention in Chicago. the delegates charged that 'organized efforts are being made by representatives of 11 states to nullify the purpose and effect of the Supreme Court decision."

Alphas Present Citation To Rep. J. McKinley Neal

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JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — One of two citations for "significant contributions to the welfare of the citizens of Missouri" and to Lincoln university was presented to Rep. James McKinley Neal of Kansas City in ceremonies here Thursday morning, April 26.

The Beta Zeta Lambda chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity honored Neal and Clifford G. Scruggs. Jefferson City lumberman and veteran of 25 years service, as a member of the Lincoln university board of curators. Albert P. Marshall, university librarian and chapter president, presented the awards in a campus convocation in Page auditorium at Lincoln.

The citation to Neal recognizes that "As a member of the Missouri general assembly for five terms, he has given tirelessly of his time and energy in behalf of the people of Missouri and on numerous occasions has especially distinguished himself as a pleader for the full measure of support for Lincoln university. He has been a dutiful and faithful public servant in the performance of his obligations in the Missouri House of Representatives and on its several committees..."

Outspoken On Issues

The citation states, in addition, that "In his role as legislator he has maintained a record of outspokenness on controversial issues and has gained success in integrating legislative approval with the concern for matters affecting his constituents and racial minorities in Missouri."

Neal, a Kansas City druggist, was first elected to the Missouri general assembly in 1946 and was re-elected in 1949, 1950, 1952, and 1954. He is a Democrat.

During his five terms in office he has consistently defended the Lincoln university requests for state support funds, especially as a member of the House appropriations committee. He has also served on the House education public health and elections committees.

Citation To Scruggs

Clifford G. Scruggs, presdent of the Scruggs-Guhleman Lumber company of Jefferson City, was cited as "an outstanding civic, business, and educational leader in Central Missouri for more than a quarter of a century." He has served as president and director of both the Southwest Lumberman's association and the Central Missouri Lumber Dealer's association.

The award recognizes that "In the realm of education he was among the leaders who secured the passage of the school improvement bond issue which has brought a 'new look' to the Jefferson City Public School System. He worked unstintingly in behalf of the million dollar bond issue for the improvement of the penal, elemosynary and educational institutions of Missouri."

As a member of the Lincoln university board of curators Scruggs has appeared before the general assembly a number of times in support of Lincoln's appropriations requests.

Helped Lower Bars

According to the citation Scruggs "was primarily responsible for the lowering of barriers which have prevented members of the Negro minority in Jefferson City from securing home and financial loans."

The awards to Neal and Scruggs were presented during a convocation sponsored by the Lincoln University Department of Economic and Business Administration, headed by Henry M. Purnell, assistant professor. Albert R. Beatty, Washington, D.C., assistant vice president of the Association of American Railroads, addressed the assembly.

Two years ago the Alpha Phi Alpha chapter presented similar awards to Dr. Sherman D. Scruggs, Lincoln University president; the Rev. Ned Cole, Jr., rector of the local Grace Episcopal church, and C. G. Hammond, commercial photographer and at that time chairman of the Mayor's Commission on Human Relations.

Alphas Plan 50 Year Fete In Buffalo

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Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., the oldest greek letter organization open to Negroes, will celebrate its 50th Anniversary August 7-11, in Buffalo, New York.

Headquarters for the Convention will be Hotel Statler.

The celebration will highlight many outstanding people from all walks of life and will feature Duke Ellington in the Alphacade, a musical history of the Fraternity.

On Saturday, August 11, the members will travel via chartered train to Cornell university, Ithaca, New York, the birthplace of Alpha for its anniversary luncheon and presentation of a memorial Scholarship of $25,000 in honor of its founders.

More than 3000 Alphas, their families and friends are expected to attend the event.

Alpha Fraternity Schedules Annual Session At A&I S U

Dr. George W. Gore, President Florida A&M University Coming To Deliver Keynote Address; Four Local Chapters To Participate In 50th Anniversary of Alpha Phi Alpha Organization Of Noted Leaders; Six Outstanding Men To Get Achievement Awards

Alpha Phi Alpha's 1955 achievement award winning undergraduate chapter, Beta Omicron at Tennessee State, is sponsoring a gala Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration of the founding of the fraternity April 13-15.

Chi at Fisk University, Alpha Chi at Meharry Medical College, and Tau Lambda local graudate chapter will participate in the 3-day program of events which will be held at Tennessee State University.

Opening convocation speaker will be Dr. George W. Gore, Jr., president of Florida A&M University, a native Nashvillian and former Tennessee State dean who helped establish undergraduate Alpha chapters at Fisk and Tennessee State, and who was the first president of Nashville's graduate chapter. Alpha Phi Alpha's national president, Frank L. Stanley of Louisville, Ky., editor and publisher of the **Louisville (Ky.) Defender,** is also listed among the speakers.

During the celebration six outstanding men will be given achievement awards. They are Tennessee State University's president, Dr. W. S. Davis; Thurgood Marshall; Congressman Adam Clayton Powell; Frank L. Stanley; Dr. George W. Gore, Jr., and Rev. Martin King. Citations will be presented to Dr. Charles S. Johnson, president, Fisk University; Dr. Harold D. West, president, Meharry Medical College; and James Huger of Chicago, Ill., the fraternity's executive secretary.

Other phases of the program will include the recital appearance of Miss Alpha Brawner, soprano, of Spelman College, Atlanta, Ga., Sunday, April 15; banquet, Friday, April 13; and dance Saturday, April 14.

Tennessee State chapter officers are, Reuben Davis of Memphis, president; Robert Williams, Memphis, vice president; Virgil McGhee, Chattanooga, corresponding secretary; William Young, recording secretary; James Hull, Indianola, Miss, treasurer; Clarence Branch chaplain and Southern Region assistant vice president; John Tyus, Mobile, Ala., social director, William Mason, East St. Louis, Ill., parliamentarian. Norman Hodges is Fisk (Chi) chapter president; Andrew Austin, Meharry (Alpha Chi) chapter president; Newton Holiday, graduate (Tau Lambda) chapter president.

Alphas To Raise $10,000 For Montgomery Group

General President Frank L. Stanley of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity announced the start of a campaign to raise $10,000 by Alpha men all over the country to help in the fight by the people of Montgomery.

Stanley a newspaper publisher, stated in his appeal "Remember, you were indicted too, when the forces of hate arrested our fraternal and racial brother."

Alpha Phi Alpha's general officers were present at the Montgomery trials and presented a check to Rev. M. L. King, Jr., president of the Montgomery Improvement Association.

Alpha Fraternity Cites Dr. Holmes Of Morgan

BALTIMORE, Md.— "For lifting the standards of education in all our colleges," Dr. D. O. W. Holmes, President Emeritus of Morgan State College and a member of the Maryland State Board of Education, was made an honorary member of Alpha Kappa Mu National Honor Society as it concluded its 18th annual convention here Saturday.

The three-day meeting was held at Morgan State College from Thursday, March 29-Saturday, March 31, and attracted 92 delegates from 33 of the society's 57 chapters.

In highlights of the convention, delegates:

1. Re-elected T. C. Cothran of A. M. and N. College, Pine Bluff, Arkansas, president, and returned as secretary-treasurer Dr. George W. Gore, Jr., president of Florida A. and M. University, one of the society's organizers.

2. Heard Mrs. Ann Arnold Hedgeman, Assistant to New York Mayor Robert Wagner, plead that the Negro scholar "teach the Negro to love himself" and help him to find a new value system.

3. Listened to addresses by Dr. Ambrose Caliver, Assistant to the United States Commissioner of Education, and James C. Evans, Civilian Assistant to the Secretary of Defense.

4. And voted to hold the 19th convention at Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala., March 28-30, 1957.

CITATION TO DR. HOLMES

In presenting the citation to Dr. Holmes, Dean T. E. McKinney of Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, N. C, said that "you have not only demonstrated high intelligence, but also moral courage, integrity and honor, and you have loved people and inspired them to love you."

The honoring of the veteran educator occurred at the concluding session of the convention on Saturday during which Mr. Evans predicted that the "age of automation now upon us" will have profound effects on everyone and urged that "unless you're an individual neither science nor sympathy will be able to save you."

HEDGEMAN ADDRESS

Mrs. Hedgeman, addressing the Friday, March 30 banquet session, declare dthat "it is my conviction that the American Negro has suddenly beome the most important people in the world today."

"Because we have observed the value and rightness of the Constitution, the Declaration of Independence, and the Bill of Rights we make excellent ambassadors of good will for the United States."

"For," Mrs. Hedgeman declared, "our own struggle for freedom ties us intellectually and emotionally" to other peoples of the world engaged in struggles for freedom.

The former Federal Security Agency assistant declared, however, that to become the "vital factor" he should be in this critical world, the Negro needs to think less of "Cadillac, the mink stole, and having dinner with the 'right people.' "

NEAL HONORED AT LINCOLN UNIVERSITY.— Rep. J. McKinley Neal, (left), Kansas City member of the Missouri general assembly, holds the framed citation awarded him by the Beta Zeta Lambda chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity at Lincoln university, April 26. He and Clifford G. Scruggs (center), Jefferson City businessman and Lincoln U. board member, were singled out for outstanding contributions to the development of Lincoln university. Albert P. Marshall, Lincoln university librarian and Alpha chapter president, made the presentations for the fraternity. Neal has served five terms in the Missouri legislature, and Scruggs has been a board member at Lincoln for 25 years.

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Alphas Re-Elect Slate; Chicagoan Heads Kappas

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C. Rodger Wilson of Chicago was reelected grand polemarch of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity at its 45th session in Columbus during the holidays and the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity reelected Frank L. Stanley president at its 41st confab in Chicago.

C. R. Wilson

More than 700 delegates and members of the fraternity attended the meeting in historic Neil House opposite the state capitol.

"Training for Leadership" was the theme of the conclave which had as its featured speaker George E. C. Hayes.

Hayes, chairman of the Public Utilities commission of the District of Columbia, is an outstanding civil rights lawyer and member of the NAACP legal staff. He is a former grand officer of Kappa Alpha Psi and is a holder of the Laurel Wreath — the fraternity's highest award.

James W. Shocknessy, chairman of the Ohio Turnpike commission, was presented a plaque for his outstanding job of administering construction of the Ohio Turnpike and his forthright stand on equal employment opportunities and for establishing a policy of non-discrimination and segregation on the turnpike.

J. Ernest Wilkins, assistant secretary of labor, was the principal speaker at the closed fraternity banquet. Wearer of the Laurel wreath, Wilkins also is a past grand polemarch and was keeper of the records and exchequer for 25 years.

Meanwhile, in Louisville Dr. George D. Flemmings was unanimously reelected national president of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity at the 41st anniversary conclave of the organization.

DR. PIPES, DOAR

Dr. Flemmings immediately reappointed two officers. They are William E. Doar, jr,. of Brooklyn, national executive secretary, and Dr. W. H. Pipes, editor of the Crescent, official magazine of Phi Beta Sigma.

Doar was appointed for a three-year term and Dr. Pipes for two years.

In Chicago Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity met for its 41st anniversary session and reelected Frank L. Stanley, Louisville publisher, as national president and retained all its officers.

Headquarters for the convention was the Morrison hotel. The convention attracted some 3,000 delegates and members.

Dr. T. R. M. Howard, militant civil rights leader of Mound Bayou, Miss., was the principal speaker at the public meeting. At that time he received the fraternity's award of merit for his activites in behalf of democracy.

John H. Johnson, editor and publisher of four magazines — Ebony, Jet, Tan and Hue — was presented the Alpha Award of Honor for "outstanding achievement in the fields of business, journalism and human relations."

John received the award during ceremonies closed banquet at the Morrison hotel.

A session of the convention took on an ominous note when Charles H. Wesley, president of Central State college, Wilberforce, Ohio, warned fraternity members in Mississippi that they could "expect to be placed on the state's subversive list."

Wesley said a proposal for such a list was made recently to the Legal Education Advisory Committee in Jackson, Miss., by State Rep. Earl Evans.

The fraternity will be high on the list because of its contributions to the NAACP, he said.

However, despite the warning the fraternity approved a resolution calling for federal intervention in Mississippi violence.

Alphas, Kappas, Sigmas

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Pittsburgh, Pa.

By Pittsburgh Courier Press Service

With their eyes fixed on common ideals that aim to increase the status of American Negroes, with references to citizenship, freedom and betterment, members and delegates of Alpha Phi Alpha, Kappa Alpha Psi and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternities convened during the holidays, respectively, at Chicago, Ill.; Columbus, Ohio, and Louisville, Ky.

At Chicago the forty-first general convention of Alpha Phi Alpha, representing more than 24,000 college men, dispatched a telegram to U. S. Attorney General Herbert Brownell asking him to "invoke the authority of the Government in protecting the traditional rights of American citizens of color."

Some 700 delegates of Kappa Alpha Psi, celebrating the forty-fifth annual conclave of the fraternity, honored Ohio's Turnpike Commission head, James W. Shocknessy, for curbing jim crow in all parts of his program.

In a brilliant banquet, Kappa honored Atty. George E. C. Hayes, D. C. Public Commission head, as the "Kappa laurel man of 1955," heard him tell young Kappa men to use all their talents to their "full potential in the betterment of conditions for all mankind. C. Rodger Wilson of Chicago was re-elected grand polemarch of Kappa.

At Louisville, Ky., in its forty-first conclave, Phi Beta Sigma considered the theme, "Full-Fledged Freedom for Every American Citizen." The key speech was delivered by Dr. George G. Iggers, professor of literature and languages at Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark. Dr. George D. Flemmings of Fort Worth, Tex., was re-elected national president and the 1956 conclave booked for Miami, Fla.

Dr. Theodore M. Howard of Mound Bayou, Miss., received the Alpha award of merit and John H. Johnson, Chicago magazine publisher, received the Alpha medal of honor. Frank L. Stanley, publisher of the Louisville Defender, was re-elected general president of Alpha.

——BIGGEST and the BEST——

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CELEBRATION of the 35th anniversary of the incorporation of Pi chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, located at Morehouse College, Dr. H. M. Holmes, Sr. was awarded the Pi chapter achievement award for 1956. Dr. Holmes, a charter member of the Morehouse chapter, and a guest speaker for the chapter's annual Guide Right observance, was honored for his part in the desegregation of the Atlanta golf courses. Standing left to right are: Frank C. Greene, Dr. H. M. Holmes, William A. Smith, and Marchand R. Alphran.

Kappas Honor Dr. Tinsley

Dr, J. M. Tinsley is being presented an appreciation gift for life long work with the NAACP by Michael Gordon of the Alpha Phi chapter of the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity, Petersburg. Dr. Tinsley, a laurel wreath holder, was the honored guests at the recent Virginia State NAACP meet. Dr. Tinsley received many gifts and praises for his early groundwork in the NAACP. Roy Wilkins, executive secretary of the NAACP, delivered the dinner speech at this occasion.

Dr. Tinsley was initiated at Temple University Lambda Chapter in 1919. He has awards of recognition from the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, the NAACP and the National Dental Association.

Dr. Laurence C. Jones Kappa Banquet Speaker

ATLANTA, Ga. — Dr. Laurence C. Jones, president of the Piney Woods Country Life school, Piney Woods, Miss., will deliver the main address at the Grand Chapter "Closed Banquet" of the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity during its 46th grand conclave in Atlanta December 26-29.

Dr. Jones' achievements, in founding the Piney Woods school and bringing it to its present state of prominence, were broadcast recently to the nation in the program, "This Is Your Life." The Readers Digest has also featured his life in one of its issues.

Dr, Jones' unique and outstanding achievements as an educator prepare him signally to address the fraternity under its conclave slogan: "Training For Leadership." In him, the fraternity finds another distinguished member to speak to it on the occasion of the "Closed Banquet."

Another event of significance will be the appearance of Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, president of Morehouse college, at the "Joint Public Meeting" of the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority and the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity. Dr. Mays will speak in Sisters Chapel, Spelman college, at 8 p.m., on Thursday, December 27.

Events of significance drawn from the social calendar include: (1) a smoker in honor of the grand board of directors and provincial polemarchs of Kappa Alpha Psi at the home of Brother Q. V. Williamson Wednesday, December 26; (2) the "Meet-Your-Date" social in Kresge hall, Clark college Thursday, December 27; (3) a reception honoring the grand officers of Alpha Kappa Alpha and Kappa Alpha Psi following the public meeting; (4) the joint AKA-KAPs open dance in the main arena of the Municipal auditorium Thursday, December 27; (5) the Pan Hellenic Council Dance, main arena Municipal auditorium Friday, December 28; (6) a cabaret party, compliments ofDeltaSigma party; compliments of Delta Sigma Theta and Omega Psi Phi, exhibition room No. 1, Auditorium, Friday, Dec. 28; (7) the Alpha Bettes and A Phi A cabaret party, Saturday, Dec. 29; and (8) the Kappa Alpha Psi "Closed Grand Ball" in the Waluhaje ball room Saturday night, Dec. 29.

Kappa headquarters will be at 859 1-2 Hunter St., N.W. Registration — Morehouse College — D. L. Boger.

Seven of ten founders of Kappa Alpha Psi still live

ATLANTA,—Seven of the 10 founders of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, which holds its 46th annual grand conclave in Atlanta December 26-29, are still alive.

The fraternity, currently headed by C. Rodger Wilson, Chicago fraternal leader and grand polemarch, was organized Jan. 5, 1911, at the University of Indiana, Bloomington, by 10 students, led by Elder W. Diggs.

Others in the first chapter were John M. Lee, Byron K. Armstrong, Guy L. Grant, Ezra D. Alexander, Henry T. Asher, Marcus P. Blakemore, Edward G. Irvin, Paul Caine, and George W. Edmunds. Diggs, Caine, and Edmunds are deceased.

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KAPPA ALPHA PSI was the first among Greek letter collegiate organizations with predominantly colored membership to be incorporated in the United States and currently is composed of 228 chapters with over 15,000 membtrs.

Besides Grand Polemarch Wilson, other national officers include:

Julius T. Campbell, San Diego Cal., junior vice polemarch; J. J. Henderson, Durham, N. C., keeper of records and exchequer. Albert G. Oliver, NYC. strategus; Enos T. Andrews, Lincoln, Pa., Lieutenant strategus, and Guy L. Grant, Indianapolis, Ind., historian.

Members of the board of directors are C. Rodger Wilson, Chicago; J. J. Henderson, Durham, N. C.; Dr. W. Henry Green, Washington, Richard B. Millspaugh, Opelousas, La.; William Santos, Washington, and Dr. Ezra D. Alexander, Indianapolis.

KAPPA BUSINESS was combined with pleasure recently when the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity held its supper dance at the Sheraton-Blackstone hotel in downtown Chicago. Discussing fraternity matters with the Grand Polemarch, C. Rodger Wilson (center) are Henry E. Bennett, provincial polemarch and E. Albert Dumas, Chicago alumni polemarch.

Wilson still Kappa leader

COLUMBUS, Ohio — C Rodger Wilson of Chicago was re-elected grand polemarch of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity at its 45th grand chapter meeting here last week.

The 46th grand chapter meeting will be held at Atlanta, in 1956.

Other officers elected are: Senior grand vice polemarch, William Chisholm, New York City; junior grand vice polemarch, Julius Campbell, San Diego, Calif.; grand keeper of records and exchequer, J. J. Henderson, Durham, N. C.; grand strategus, Albert G. Oliver New York City; grand lt. strategus, Enos Andrews, Philadelphia.

Grand historian, Guy L. Grant, Indianapolis; grand board of directors are William Santos, undergraduate member, Washington; Dr. W. Henry Greene, Washington; and Richard B. Millspaugh, Opelousas, La.; housing fund trustee is James F. Scott, Washington.

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MORE THAN 700 delegates and members of Kappa Alpha Psi attended the meeting, Dec. 27-30, at the historic Neil House opposite the State Capitol.

With the theme "Training For Leadership" the conclave was a co-operative affair in which civic and social organizations and outstanding citizens of Columbus participated.

At the public banquet, M. E. Sensenbrenner, mayor of Columbus, and the Hon. Carl V. Weygandt, chief justice, Ohio Supreme Court, preceded featured speaker George C. Hayes, chairman of the Public Utilities Commission of the District of Columbia.

HONORARY CONSUL

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia(ANP) —Janet Harmon Bragg, onetime pupil of Col. John Robinson, the "Black Condor," was appointed honorary consul in Chicago by Emperor Haile Selassie.

HIGHLIGHT of the 45th grand chapter conclave of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity held in Columbus, Ohio, at the Neil House recently was the presentation of a plaque to James W. Shocknessy, center, chairman of the Ohio Turnpike Commission, for establishing a policy of nondiscrimination and nonsegregation in employment and in hotels and restaurants along the turnpike. Others in the photo are Lawrence J. Tolbert, left, local president of the chapter, and Matthew Carter, right, program director of the conclave.

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Housing Fund trustee is James F. Scott, Washington, D. C.

Kappa Leaders Call '56 Year Of Negro Decision

CHARLOTTE, N. C. — Negroes must overcome years of "brainwashing" and feelings of inferiority and do first class work to achieve the first class citizenship of full integration in America, speakers told Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity.

The occasion was the Middle Eastern Provincial Meeting of the fraternity on the campus of Johnson C. Smith university. The university's Alpha Epsilon chapter and the Charlotte Alumni chapter were hosts.

Highlights of the meeting included addresses by Dr. J. M. Tinsley, Richmond, Va., winner of Kappa's highest award, the Laurel Wreath, and Dr. Hardy Liston, president of Smith, a symposium on fraternity integration, election of officers, awarding of achievement plaques and social activities.

YEAR OF DECISION

"In their struggle for freedom since the days of slavery many Negroes have been brainwashed. They don't want freedom. It is up to Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity to help save our people from this disease . . . Negroes must know that to rebel against discrimination means liberty. To submit means slavery."

"As Kapas, the speaker continued," we must be prepared to save the race in order to save ourselves. No man in this room will be free until every Negro and evvery other mankind is saved."

Dr. Liston in his welcome address told the Kappas that Johnson C. Smith university is not afraid of integration. This will not mean that Negroes will rush to other institutions, he said, "unless we fail to provide a good moral and useful educatoin with a first class program."

Kappas were warned not to be prejudiced in interracial schools, but to welcome into the fraternity good, qualified men — "black, brown, white, or blue" — during the symposium with Prof. Hammett Worthington Smith of Bluefield State College (W. Va.) as moderator.

Elected to provincial offices were F. A. Clement, vice polemarch; J. M. Holloway, keeper of records and exchequer; John Zeigler, A & T College, strategus; R. A. Hawkins and Charles Holland of North Carolina College at Durham, members of the board of directors.

Achievement plaques went to Prof. F. A. Clement of West Virginia State college, and Maeposure T. Miller of Alpha Tau chapter,

1,000 persons at the meeting opening the United Negro College Funds 1956 nation-wide campaign.

SCOVEL RICHARDSON (center) chairman of the U. S. Board of Parole, who spoke at the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity Founders Day banquet in Nashville, Tenn., congratulates Kappas Dr. H. H. Walker (left) and J. Ronald Powell, who were honored by the four local chapters of the fraternity. A former Lincoln university Law School dean, Richardson is a member of the fraternity.

Julian Dugas heads graduate Kappas

WASHINGTON

Julian R. Dugas, assistant corporation counsel for D.C., has been chosen polemarch of the Washington alumni chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity for the year 1956.

He was unanimously elected to succeed Dr. Paul Cooke who declined another term.

MR. DUGAS became a member of Kappa Alpha Psi in 1937 at South Carolina State University where he served as polemarch of the undergraduate chapter of the fraternity.

A graduate of Howard University's law school, he is at present assigned to the Corporation Counsel's office in the law enforcement division of Municipal Court. He was previously associated with the law firm of Cobb, Howard and Hayes.

He resides with his wife, Thelma, and their four young sons at 1313 Hamilton St., NW.

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OTHER OFFICERS elected or re-elected to serve the alumni chapter are:

Edmund Plant, vice polemarch; LaMont H. Lawson, keeper of records; George Campbell, assistant keeper of records; J.Neal King, assistant to the keeper of records; P. Y. Hamilton, keeper of the exchequer; C. Johnson, lt. strategus; James W. Coggs, journalist; Otha Miller, chaplain; and Robert W. Thompson, historian.

Doctor Cooke and Elmer W. Henderson were elected to the board of directors.

'Years of brainwashing must be overcome,' Kappas told

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DR. HARDY LISTON, president of Johnson C. Smith university. Also featured were a symposium on fraternity integration, election of provincial officers, awarding of achievement plaques and numerous social activities.

"This is a year of decision for colored people" Dr. Tinsley declared at a closed banquet in the West Charlotte high school.

"In their struggle for freedom since the days of slavery many have been brainwashed. They don't want freedom.

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"IT IS UP to Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity to help save our people from this disease. Colored people must know that to rebel against discrimination means liberty. To submit means slavery."

"As Kappas," the speaker continued, "we must be prepared to save the race in order to save ourselves.

"No man in this room will be free until every colored man and every other mankind is saved."

KAPPAS WERE warned not to be prejudiced in interracial schools but to welcome into the fraternity good, qualified men—black, brown, white, or blue." — during a symposium with Prof. Hammett Worthington Smtih of Bluefield State College as moderator.

Symposium speakers were F. A. Clement West Virginia State College; the Rev. Herman L. Counts, Johnson C. Smith University; and James C. Henderson, Bluefield State College.

Elected to provincial offices were: F. A. Clement, vice polemarch; J. M. Holloway keeper of records and exchange; John Zeigler, A and T. College, strategus;

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HUVON PEERY, Blueifield State College, lieutenant strategus; R. A. Hawkins and Charles Holland of North Carolina College at Durham, members of the board of directos.

Hammett W. Smith of Bluefield State College was again named historian, director of undergraduate affairs and editor.

The province awarded achievement plaques to F. A. Clement West Virginia State, and Meaposure T. Miller, Alpha Tau Chapter. Bluefield State as the iutstanding graduate and undergraduate brothers for the past provincial year.

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HOSTESSES WERE the Charlotte Silhouettes who sponsored a soiree at the Excelsior Club.

Other activities included a coffee hour sponsored by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, church services, Sunday dinner and various parties.

Next year's principal conclave will be held during the Easter weekend in Bluefield, W. Va., Frank G. Burnett, provincial polemarch announced.

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KAPPA DELTA PI, National Honor Society in Education

Crowd Of 2,000 Witness Awarding Honor Key Of Kappa Delta Pi To Dr. G. W. Gore

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Fri. 4-6-56
Tallahassee

Tallahassee—Dr. George W. Gore, Jr., distinguished president of Florida A&M University, was awarded the coveted Honor Key of Kappa Delta Pi, national honor society in education, "for 20 years of conspicious service to Kappa Delta Pi, and to education" during Founders' assembly here last Friday before some 2,000 persons.

The award was made by Joseph Awkard, head of the A&M department of psychology and counselor of Theta Iota Chapter, in behalf of the National Executive Council of the organization which numbers some 100,000 persons. He became only the 28th person so honored by Kappa Delta Pi.

Dr. Gore was initiated into Kappa Chapter at Columbia University, December 11, 1935.

A special award was made to him during the brief, yet highly impressive ceremony by Dr. R. L. Eymon, dean of the school of education at Florida State University, who presented him a copy of the book, "A twenty-Five Year History of Kappa Delta Pi, . . ." written by one of the founders of the organization and presented as a personal autographed copy to Dr. Eymon.

Dr. Gore, who has been president of A&M since April 1, 1950, was directly responsible for the first chapter of Kappa Delta Pi established on the campus of a Negro institution—Tennessee A&I State University, Nashville, where he served as dean from 1928 to March of 1950. Last year Theta Iota was established at A&M largely as the result of his influence, to become the sixth chapter at a Negro institution.

Dr. Gore has been the recipient of numerous honors and citations during his distinguished career as a teacher and admininstrator. In 1953 he was awarded the "Alumni Citation" by DePauw University, Greencastle, Ind., "In recognition of outstanding achievements and services which reflect honor upon DePauw University."

Dr. Gore holds the bachelor of arts degree from DePauw University, the master's degree from Harvard University and the doctor of philosophy degree from Columbia University.

For many years he has been active in professional teachers organizations having served a sthe executive secretary of the Tennessee Negro Educational Association, president of the American Teachers Association and vice president of the National Education Association. His fraternal affiliations include membership in the Elks, Knights of Pythias, the Masons, Alpha Phi Alpha, Kappa Delta Pi, Alpha Kappa Mu and Sigma Pi Phi.

He is currently serving as the Grand Sire Archon of Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, vice chairman of the N. E. A. Commission on the Defense of Democracy Through Education; vice presiednt of the Conference of Negro Land Grant College Presidents and President of the Florida Conference of Negro College Presidents.

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A HEARTY SMILE and congratulations were passed on to four new inductees of Theta Iota chapter of Kappa Delta Pi national education fraternity by President George W. Gore, Jr. after the ritualistic initiation ceremony held at Florida A and M university last week. From left to right: Mrs. Bernyce H. Clausell, chapter president; Howard O. King, Pensacola; Mrs. Sylvia S. Lambert, Miami; Sarah R. Gray, Albany, Ga.; Mrs. Louise P. Gilbert, Bartow; Joseph Awkard, local chapter advisor; and President Gore. (Photo by A and M photographer H. Jones, Jr.)

Defender P.5 Sat. 2-25-56

SUPREME COUNCIL of the Omega Psi Phi fraternity holds winter meeting in Washington, D. C. Plans for the 43rd Grand Conclave in Baltimore, Md., were discussed and an active drive for life membership for each graduate chapter in the NAACP was initiated. Seated from left: H. Carl Moultrie, national executive secretary, Washington, D. C.; Herbert E. Tucker, Jr., grand basileus, Boston, Mass.; J. T. Brooks, 1st vice grand basileus, Montgomery, Ala. Standing: Ellis F. Corbett, editor-in-chief, Oracle, Greensboro, N. C.; Walter H. Riddick, grand keeper of records and seal, Norfolk, Va.; Carl A. Earles, grand counselor, Los Angeles, Calif.; H. Albion Ferrell, grand chaplain, West Chester, Pennsylvania; and Wendell Alston, director, public relations, New York.

NEW BASILEUS — Charles C. Stringer of Clarksdale, Miss., was elected basileus of Iota Omicron chapter of Omega Psi Phi fraternity during a recent meeting at the home of J. H. White of Mississippi Vocational college. Stringer is president of the Stringer Service Assurance company, Inc.

FRED MORGAN

Defender Chicago, Ill. Sat. 2-25-56 P. 10

Omegas To Celebrate Talent Hunt

CHARLOTTE, N. C. — The Omegas Psi Phi fraternity Talent Hunt will celebrate its 10th anniversary at the Sixth District meeting to be held here, April 27-29.

The idea aims at the discovery and encouragement of outstanding musicial talent among high school students.

Besides the cash awards presented to the winners in local chapter and district eliminations, at least four youths have been given substantial scholarship assistance for additional training during the past 10-years.

SET AT NORTHWEST

The program, to be held in connection with the annual meeting of the Sixth District, is scheduled for the Northwest Junior High school, Saturday, April 28, at 8 p.m.

Other features of the three-day meet include:

Business sessions with registration beginning on Friday at Johnson C. Smith university, the breakfast for fraternity members and the "Quettes" on Sunday.

H. Carl Moultrie, of Washington, D. C., national executive secretary of the fraternity, will be principal speaker.

The entertaining Pi Phi and Rho Chapters here have arranged a complete social calendar.

Local arrangements are being handled under the supervision of Dr. Gordan Wilkins, district marshall, and J. Alston Atkins, Winston-Salem, district representative, is presiding officer.

Daily World Sat. 2-25-56

OMEGA SCHOLAR— Fred Morgan, Junior English and Journalism student at Clark College and editor of "The Clark Panther" has been named "Scholar of the Year" for Omega Psi Phi Fraternity's 7th District, embracing Florida, Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi. The District meeting was held last weekend in Augusta, Ga.

Morgan, presently Basileus of Beta Psi chapter at Clark College, has five semesters scholastic record which includes 24 A grades, 7 B's and one C.

The Day Will Come

Daily Worker p. 1
Thurs. 4-5-56
Atlanta, Ga.

See's Negro As Respected American Heritage Donor

By FRED MORGAN

"Signs in the interracial skies presage a day when American Negroes will no longer be segregated, discriminated against, or merely tolerated but respected and appreciated as bona fide citizens and contributors to the American heritage," Dr. H. Albion Ferrell, the Fraternity's grand Chaplain, declared last week in Augusta where the 7th District of Omega Phi Phi Fraternity was in convention.

WILLIAM GAINES

Brothers from Alabama, Florida, Georgia and Mississippi heard Dr. Ferrell severely score racial animosity in a comprehensive discussion of "Individual Responsibility in the Transitional Period."

The convention, with membership from four of the states hardest hit by interracial tension, unanimously adopted a resolution "of faith in, sympathy for, and support of" the Montgomery, Alabama protest boycott and segregated public transportation.

The resolution noted that some of the "distinguished leaders of the passive resistance protest in Montgomery are Omega men dedicated to the eventual abolition of un-democratic American practices."

Events of the Conclave included several closed business sessions; a Fellowship dinner; the District Talent Hunt program; a formal ball and several other events sponsored by the Augusta Qu-ettes, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Alpha Phi Alpha and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternities.

District Representative William C. Gaines of Atlanta lauded "the very positive and concrete contribution 7th District Omega Men are making to the advancement of the Democratic Spirit." He also reiterated the convention's appeal for continued and more intensified support to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Earlier in the year, Mr. Gaines was elected to complete the unexpired term of District Representative J. T. Brooks, now first vice-grand basileus and at the Augusta meeting he was unanimously elected District Representative Representative for the ensuing year.

Other officers elected were Charles E. Prothro of Tuskegee, Alabama, first vice-District representative; and Dave Garrett of Tougaloo, Miss., second vice-District Representative and Fred Morgan, director of publicity.

P. Irvin Green, Biloxi, Miss. was elected Keeper of Records and Seals. Dr. J. E. Carter was named District Keeper of Finance.

Omegas Give Scholarships

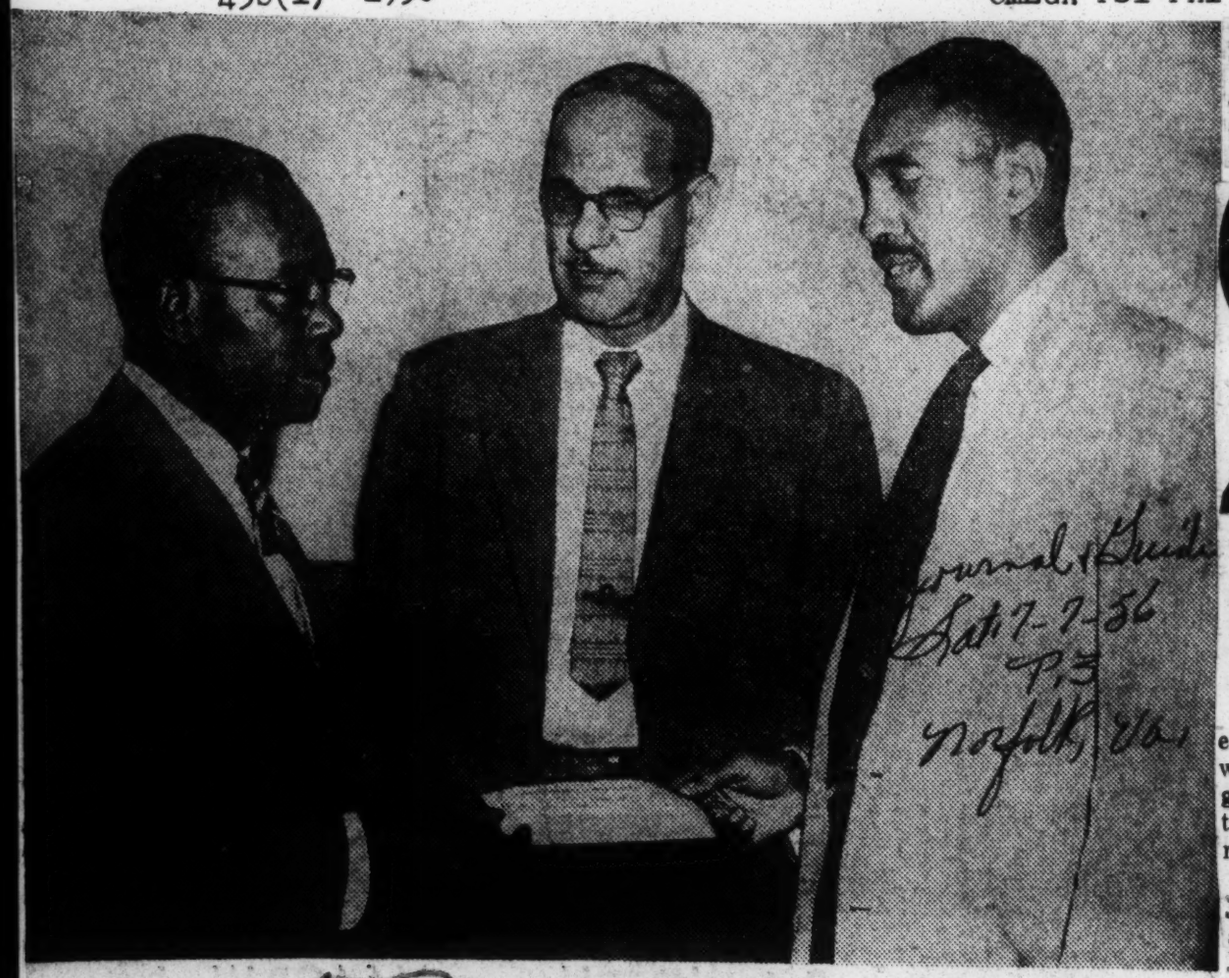
Courier p. 2 Sec. 2
Sat. 5-26-56
Pittsburgh, Pa.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—Winners of the fourth annual Omega Scholarship Awards were announced by Robert L. Marshall, chairman of the Scholarship Commission of Alpha Phi Chapter, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

Mr. Marshall said the 1956 winners of the four $50 scholarship awards are Phyllis Eddleman, 16; Mary Evelyn White, 16, both of Ullman High School; Luther Dickson, 17, Fairfield Industrial High School, and Thomas Leon Cook, 17, Immaculate High School.

Defender p. 6 Sat. 5-26-56
Chicago, Ill.

HERBERT E. TUCKER, Boston attorney and grand basileus of Omega Psi Phi fraternity, installs new officers of the 8th District at the Near North Side YMCA in Omaha. The installation was a high point of the 3-day conference which closed recently. Left to right are Tucker, John R. Butler, Omaha, Wilber C. Lewis, Omaha, William H. Pinkett, Denver, and Milton A. Petty, Omaha. Pinkett is the 8th district representative.



Council, Saturday, December 29th, at the Coliseum.

Magistrate Linwood Koger is the grand marshal and Benjamin Whitten is the basileus of Pi Omega, host chapter.

Highlighting the Social Affairs—A formal dance by Delta Sigma Theta, Thursday, Dec. 27; Mardi Gras, Friday, Dec. 28; Formal Dance, Interfraternal Council, Saturday, Dec. 29 at the Monroe Colosseum.

Fifteen hundred Omegas are expected to converge on Baltimore for the meeting. Judge Linwood Koger is the grand marshal and Brother Benjamin Whitten is the basileus of Pi Omega, Host Chapter.

Omegas To 43rd Session To Be Dec. 27

Defender Sat. 12-15-56 Chicago, Ill. P. 4

WASHINGTON — Three founders of Omega Psi Phi fraternity will be honored during the 43rd grand conclave of the organization scheduled to meet in Baltimore Dec. 27-30.

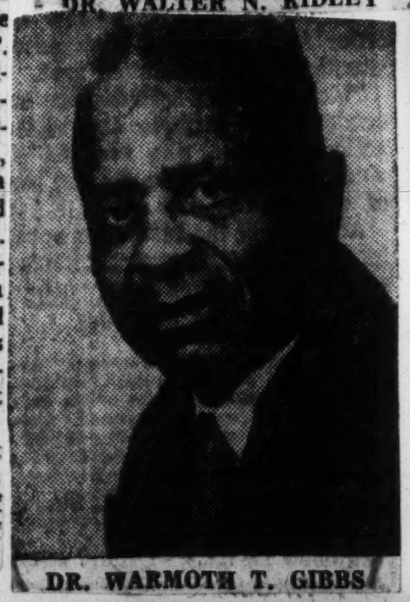
Tribute will be paid Dr. Frank J. Coleman, Dr. Oscar A. Cooper and Bishop Edgar A. Love at a Founders' banquet set for Dec. 29 at the Fifth Regimental armory in Baltimore.

The honoring of the founders is only one of many events planned for the conclave which has as its theme, "Wanted: Techniques for Strengthening and Furthering Our Democratic and Christian Heritage."

The Conclave Headquarters will be located on the Morgan State College Campus. Speakers for the meeting will include Dr. W. T. Gibbs, President of A. and T. College — "How to Improve Relation Between the College and Fraternity"; Dr. Walter N. Ridley, Professor of Psychology, Virginia State College — "Manners and Morals in Fraternities"; Dr. James Nabrit, Secretary of Howard University — 'The Northern Viewpoint on Integration"; and Attorney Fred Gray, Civil Rights Counselor of Montgomery, Alabama — "The Southern Viewpoint on Integration."

Bishop Love of the Methodist Episcopal Church will address the closing session on the subject of "Ritual and the Friendship of Omega."

DR. WALTER N. RIDLEY



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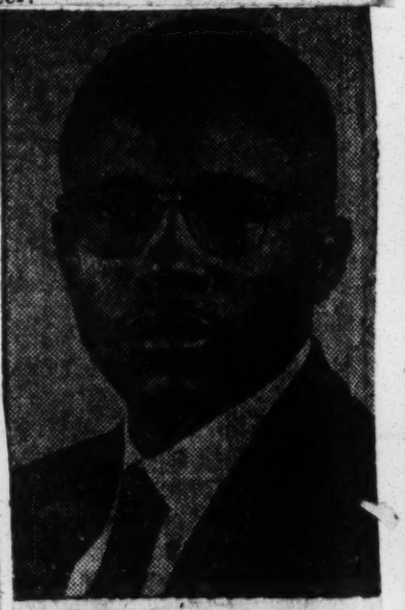

ATTY. FRED GRAY

DR. JAMES NABRIT

Richmond Omegas Give $577 On NAACP Vote Drive

Phi Phi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi fraternity in Richmond gave a check for $577.09 to the Suffrage Committee of the Richmond Branch of the NAACP on June 18 to help with the drive for more Negro voters in Richmond. Last year the chapter gave $500 to the Legal Defense Fund of the Richmond NAACP. The chapter has voted to take out a life membership in the NAACP this year.

Left to right during the presentation are John Drew, chairman of the NAACP Suffrage Committee; T. T. Coleman, president-elect, Phi Phi Chapter of the Omegas, and Tinsley Spraggins, chapter president.

Omegas expect 1500 delegates at 43rd session in Baltimore

Afro American Sat. 12-15-56 Baltimore, Md.

BALTIMORE — The 43rd grand conclave of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity to be held here, Dec. 27 through 30th, is expected to draw 1500 delegates from all sections of the country.

The theme for the four-day meeting is "Wanted: Techniques for Strengthening and Furthering our Democratic and Christian Heritage."

The three living founders, Dr. Frank J. Coleman, Dr. Oscar A. Cooper, and Bishop Edgar A. Love, will be honored at a Founders Banquet scheduled for Saturday, December 29th at the Fifth Regimental Armory.

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BISHOP LOVE of the Methodist Episcopal Church will address the closing session on the subject of "Ritual and the Friendship of Omega."

Highlighting the social affairs will be a formal dance by Delta Sigma Theta, Thursday, December 27th; Mardi Gras, Friday, December 28th; and a formal dance, Interfraternal

RECEIVES OMEGAS AWARD.— Dr. C. B. Fuller, right, is shown here receiving the Omega Merit award from C. E. Jackson, left, principal of Booker T. Washington school, Wichita Falls, Tex. Dr. Fuller, a well known physician, received the honor for his relentless effort in providing good human relations throughout this community. Dr. Fuller is a graduate of Meharry Medical college and for the past eight years has enjoyed an unusually successful practice in Wichita Falls.

Omegas' Merit Award To Dr. C. B. Fuller

WICHITA FALLS, Texas. — C. E. Jackson, principal of Booker T. Washington school, presented the Omega merit award to Dr. C. B. Fuller, Sunday afternoon at the Redwood USO auditorium before a small but enthusiastic audience. The award was a token of service and for the high esteem held for him by the local chapter and for his rentless effort in providing good human relations throughout this community.

The citation received by Dr. Fuller is inscribed, "Be it known that Brother Dr. Fuller has given unselfishly of his time, talent, and efforts in providing outstanding community good relations, hereby contributing immeasurably as a regular citizen as well as extra recognition from his many colleagues of other races in the medical profession."

Dr. Fuller is a graduate of Meharry Medical college, and has resided in Wichita Falls for eight consecutive years where he has enjoyed an unusually successful practice. He might be easily considered a pioneer in Texas medical circles for the Wichita General hospital, a county - city supported institution was the first hospital in Texas to admit a Negro doctor to the regular medical staff, making all privileges and facilities available. He also holds membership of the same type at the Bethania hospital of this city.

He is a certified member of the Wichita Medical county society, composed of some 125 doctors. In March he was elected in Austin, Texas to the American Academy of General Practice, one of the highest honors in medical profession. He is the first Negro in the state of Texas to be honored with such rare distinction.

Dr. Fuller has continued to distinguish himself actively with many and varied community movements. He presently holds such positions as: member of the executive staff of the United Fund; Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce; the Red Cross executive committee; Wichita Community Youth Organization; chairman, Redwood USO Management committee; member of the Board of Directors, East Wichita YMCA branch; trustee and chairman of the Building committee, Antioch Baptist church, and recently interceded for a full-time school nurse for the Booker T. Washington and A. E. Holland schools of this city. He is the school's athletic doctor and recently presented the school with a 35MM projector.

Dr. Fuller is married and has three children, Edwin, Mike and Vickey.

Omegas name Fla. boycotter Man of Year

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Dr. M. C. Williams, one of the leaders of the Tallahassee bus boycott and a 1952 graduate of Howard University School of Dentistry, last week was named "Omega Man of the Year" here.

He was given a citation and honored in chapel exercises sponsored by the local graduate chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity on Florida A. and M. University campus Sunday evening.

Active in community affairs, Dr. Williams is treasurer of the fraternity, president of the Tallahassee Voters' League and the executive secretary of the Inter Civic Council.

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THE YOUNG dentist, also also a graduate of FAMU, expressed surprise in receiving the award because of his activities in the Inter Civic Council.

"I am so glad they FAMU Omegas and campus officials) still love me; it's good to be wanted and loved," he said, explaining:

"Because of the opposition we have received from the University, I thought they had boycotted me. I thought they wanted nothing to do with me because I wanted to fight for our rights."

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MRS. WILLIAMS cried as she received word of her husband being chosen to the honor from Worrell Gaither, president of the local Omega chapter.

"Nick has worked so hard," she said, "and he has suffered so much while participating in the bus boycott. It is good to see that our people recognize this worth.

"It is not just because he is my husband, but because Nick has taken the whole thing so close to his heart."

MRS. WILLIAMS is the former Miss Geraldine Francis, a native of Washington and also a graduate of Howard University.

In addition to Dr. William Williams' other activities, he is one of the persons who was instrumental in the fight for equalization of Florida teachers salaries.

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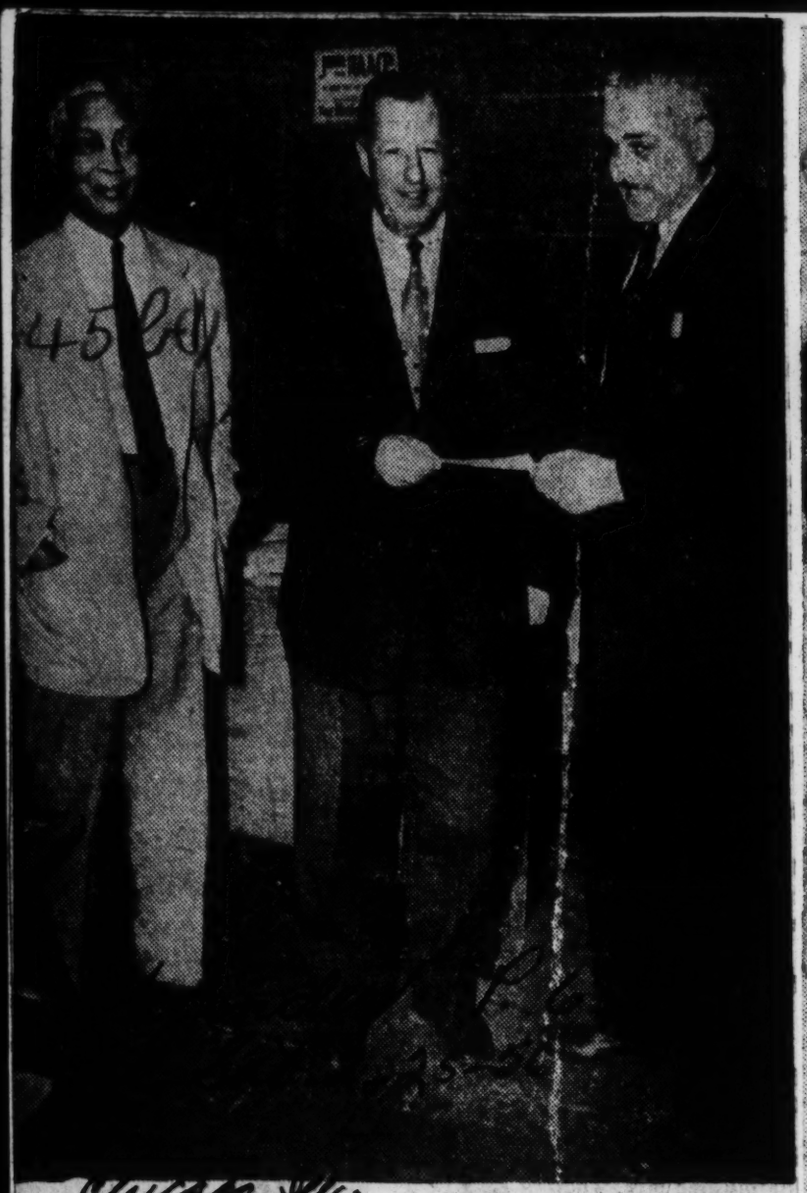
OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY

PARTICIPATE IN OMEGA SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS: Fifteen seniors from eight of the high schools in the Jefferson County area were inteviewed last Saturday at the 18th Street Branch YMCA for the fourth annual scholarship awards of the Alpha Phi Chapter Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. Based upon the Omega scholarship formula a minimum of $270 awards will be made, ranging from $5 to $50. Four $50 awards, 11 $5 awards and one special $15 award will be made.

Front row left to right are: Miss Margaret Fowler, Western-Olin High; Miss Maxine Louise Gatson, Wenonah High; Miss Wilma Delores Webb, R. R. Moton High (Leeds); Miss Jessie Mae Marbury, Moton High (Leeds): Mrs. Mary Esterlyn White, Ullman High; Phyllis Eddleman, Ullman High. Back row reading left to right: William E. Stewart, Wenonah High; James G. Heath, Parker High: Phillip Eugene Warren, Hcoper City High; Thomas Leon Cook, Immaculate High; Miss Geraldine Edwards, Immaculata High; Luther Dickson, Fairfield Industrial High; Luther D. Walker, Western-Olin High, William A. Tidwell; Parker High, and Charlie Jas. Price, Fairfield Industrial High.

The Omega formula for making the awards consisted of a written standerd test given by Mrs. R. M. Howard, a member of the Miles College faculty; a project prepared by Dr. L.D. Green, basileus of the chapter and supervised by Robert L. Marshall, chairman of the Omega Scholarship Commission and the interview made by S.C. O'Neal, assistant director of State Vocational Trade School; Prof. E. W. Windham, principal of Patterson School and Emory O. Jackson, managing editor, Birmingham World. Winners of the $50 awards are expected to be announced this week.



HERBERT E. TUCKER, jr., (right) grand basileus of Omega Psi Phi fraternity, and prominent Boston attorney, presents personal check for $00 for life membership in the NAACP to Kivie Kaplan of Boston, national co-chairman of the NAACP Life Membership Committee. Col. Larkland F. Hewitt, president of Boston NAACP Branch, looks on.

MEMBERS OF PSI PHI chapter of the Omega Psi fraternity at Winston-Salem, N. C., make a partial payment on a life membership in the NAACP. H. Carl Moultrie (2nd from right) national executive secretary of the fraternity, of Washington, D. C., accepts the check. Representing the chapter are from left: E. L. Patterson, A. D. Wilson, James P. Keen, J. Alston Atkins and Charles J. Parker.

Sigmas Close "Bigger, Better Business Week"

Daily World
Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday 4-29-56

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.--The annual "Bigger and Better Business Week," sponsored jointly by the Pi Undergraduate Chapter and the Alpha Omicron and Zeta Beta Graduate Chapters of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., was concluded Sunday with a vesper program in the Seabrook Auditorium at the Fayetteville State Teachers College, Fayetteville, N. C. The guest speaker was attorney F. J. Carnage of Raleigh, N. C. who was introduced by Dr. C. U. DeBerry, president of the Zeta Beta Chapter at Elizabethtown, N. C.

One special feature of the vesper program was Irving Mitchell's presentation of a Certificate of Merit to Dr. Frank Williston, local druggist, as Business Man of the Year, and presiding officer James E. Coppage's awarding of the plaque to Dr. J. H. Barnhill of the North Carolina State Department of Health at Raleigh, N. C. as "Sigma Man of the Year." Musical numbers were given by A. R. Mills of Lumberton, N. C. and by Dr. Watson Fowler, local dentist. A reception followed the vesper hour.

The local Pi Chapter of which James Robinson is the president was in charge of the College Sunday School program which featured an address by Robert Williams, a college junior.

Daily World

The Sigma "Bigger and Better Business Week" got under way Sunday, April 8, with a Founder's Day Celebration at the local Evans Metropolitan Church where the pastor, the Rev. Clinton R. Coleman, gave the sermon.

The local Pi and Zeta Beta Sigma were established at the college in 1953. They were the second Greek-leter fraternities to get started on the campus.

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Richmond Sigmas Get Keys For Meritorious Services

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A feature of the social action awards program of Iota Sigma Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., in Richmond recently was the presentation of chapter keys to members for distinguished service in the field of social action. Shown above are members who participated in these ceremonies. Left to right, are J. T. Richardson, P. Edward Giles Jr., William R. Winston and William E. Doar Jr., national executive secretary.

Sigmas Present Awards For Social Achievement

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Norfolk, Va.

RICHMOND, Va. —The sixth annual Social Action Awards program of the Iota Sigma Chapter of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. was held here recently under the auspices of the social action committee. The chapter presented two awards for meritorious achievement in the field of social action for the past year.

The awards were made to two Richmonders. One was made posthumously to the late James Walter O'Kelly, former member of Iota Sigma Chapter. He was the most outstanding worker on the social action committee. He was associated with the Department of Public Welfare of Richmond. The award was presented to Mrs. Phyllis S. OKelly, widow of Mr. O'Kelly.

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THE OTHER award was presented to the Rev. John H. Marion, executive director, Virginia Council on Human Relations. Dr. Marion has been intensely interested in the cause of true democracy, and in his capacity as director of the Virginia Council, has made many sacrifices to this end. In addition, he holds many positions in interracial groups.

He also is a contributor to many religious, cultural and scholastic publications. In the fight for true integration, he has on many occasions criticized those who were on the side of bitter opposition. His courage and forthrightness can be very well copied by those who lay claim to belief in Christianity and humanity.

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THE AWARDS were presented in the auditorium of Third Street Bethel A.M.E. Church. The Rev. P. B. Walker, pastor, was the keynote speaker.

The program was under the direction of the social action committee of the fraternity.

Phi Beta Sigma members, their wives and members of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority were out in full for the program.

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Dr. Marion Gets Sigma Citation

Dr. John H. Marion (right) executive director, Virginia Council on Human Relations, is presented the 1956 Social Action Citation by Clarence L. Townes Jr., secretary, Iota Sigma Chapter, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. at ceremonies held in Richmond in connection with the social awards program of the chapter held at Third Street Bethel AME Church.

Braden case aired at Sigma conclave

Afro-American
Sat. 1-7-56

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — George G. Iggers last week spoke at length on the Carl Braden case at the Phi Beta Sigma conclave here.

The Nazi Germany refugee and associate professor of history at Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark., said that Braden was convicted of "holding certain unpopular opinions."

Baltimore Md.

BRADEN, A local reporter, is now serving a 15-year sentence under a Kentucky sedition law after having bought a house for a colored family in a white neighborhood.

Mr. Iggers said "no one accused Braden of conspiring to overthrow the government, but that under a vaguely worded law he was convicted of holding certain unpopular opinions."

He also asked delegates not to confuse legal desegregation with the theory of integration of the colored man into American life.

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THE PROFESSOR warned that while there has been tremendous race relations progress in the past decade and a half, colored persons may still be subordinated in other areas for generations.

Phi Beta Sigma representatives were challenged to establish closer community ties with the whites and requested that they give whole hearted support to the NAACP and the American Civil Liberties Union.

Sigma Conclave Reelects Dr. Flemmings As Head

Call
Fri 1-6-56

LOUISVILLE, Ky.— (ANP)— Dr. George D. Flemmings, unanimously reelected national president of the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity at the 41st Anniversary Conclave held in Louisville last week, has announced the reappointment of two officers.

William E. Dear, Jr., of Brooklyn, for the past seven years national executive secretary, was appointed for a three-year term.

The other appointee is Dr. W. H. Pipes, editor of THE CRESCENT, official magazine of Phi Beta Sigma. Dr. Pipes is dean of Philander Smith College and former president of Alcorn college. His term of office is two years.

By J. Benjamin Horton, Jr.

The anniversary conclave of the fraternity, Inc., opened its 4-day meeting Tuesday, December 27. The theme of the conclave was "Full Fledged Freedom for Every American Citizen."

Dr. Georg G. Iggers, professor of foreign languages and literature at Philander-Smith college of Little Rock, was the Conclave speaker. Business sessions of the convention were held at the new 4-million dollar Central high school of this city.

Kansas City

Addressing the public meeting of the convention at Zion Baptist church Wednesday, December 28, before a crowd of 1,000 citizens of the city, Dr. Iggers told those present that while there has been tremendous progress in race relations in this country in the last decade and a half, the end of legal segregation must not be confused with the thorough integration of Negroes into American life.

"Apathy of the Negro," stated the educator, "in regards to his rights may lead to a situation where the Negro, while permitted to sit in the front of the bus and to send his children to the nearest school, will still be subordinated in regards to housing, economic and education opportunities for generations to come... even if he may enjoy a slightly larger share of American prosperity than in the past."

Iggers stressed the inter-relations of the defense of our traditional American. Civil Liberties with the struggle for Negro equality. He discussed at length the case of Carl Braden, white Louisville news reporter, who was convicted to a fifteen year term under a Kentucky sedition statute after having bought a house in a white neighborhood for a Negro family.

"The point is," Iggers said, "that none accused Braden of worded law he was convicted of bungling the house or of actively ment, but that under a vaguely conspiring to overthrow the governholding certain unpopular opinions." The college professor further asserted: "If heretical opinions are the basis of legal prosecution, then all of us who see flaws in the status quo are threatened with imprisonment."

Finally, Iggers called on the fraternity to support the NAACP, to challenge segregation practices, to establish closer cultural ties with the white community, and to provide scholarships to train students for areas of employment not traditionally open to them."

Business and Social Activities

Aside from the regular business of the conclave which included discussions of the fraternity's Bigger and Better Business, Education and Social Action programs, committee reports, graduate and undergraduate panels, special project reports and other conclave business, the agenda included social activities of many kinds for the delegates, visiting brothers and Sigma wives.

The social activities included a general board dinner meeting, courtesies by the Carnation Milk company, Coca Cola company; a cocktail party by the Tuckyana Elks lodge; a Bait-a-Date party; a lunch honoring national officers and regional directors by Zeta sorority, a Chit-Chat Hour honoring visiting Sigma wives hosted by Louisville Sigma Shadows; a Smoker, honoring visiting delegates; a Buffet, honoring visiting Sigma wives by the local Sigma Shadows; a Distinguished Service Chapter Dinner; a Pan-Hellenic Council formal dance; a Tour and Cocktail Party by courtesy of Brown-Forman Distillaries, Inc., and an Open House for delegates and visitors hosted by Zeta Phi Beta sorority and Sigma's Grand Orchid Ball at the city's fabulous Columbia auditorium.

Miami, Florida, will be the meeting place of Sigma's 42nd Anniversary Conclave.

Officers for 1956 as follows: Dr. George D. Flemmings, Ft. Worth, Texas, re-elected national president; Dr. C. V. Troup, Sr., president Ft. Valley State college, Ft. Valley, Georgia, re-elected first national vice-president; Rolland Green, West Virginia State College, Institute, W. Va., elected second national vice-president; Ephriam E. Person, Chicago, re-elected national treasurer; E. Rhudolphus Clemmons, Philadelphia, re-elected national director of Bigger and Better Business; Charles E. Trout, Tuskegee institute, Ala., National Director of Education; Atty. Robert Williams, Florida A. and M. University, National Director of Social Action

Dr. Flemmings sees great gains in 1956

Afro-American Baltimore Md
Sat. 1-14-56

By DR. G. D. FLEMMINGS
(National President
Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity)

History and current events have demonstrated beyond question that the patriotic work of organizations like the NAACP are bringing the actions of this nation into conformity with its preachments and great historical documents of freedom and equality.

It is giving greater stature to our nation and enhancing it as a moral force in international affairs. Legal victories, vast in their scope, have enabled us to envision success in our struggle to be free by 1963.

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THE NAACP Legal Defense Fund assures any individual or group that every action in every sphere of human endeavor to attempt to effectuate that inequality based on race shall be meted out.

It will work untiringly to eliminate job discrimination — the right to work is basic to man's existence.

Thus the first on the must list of the civil rights program of the fund and other interested organizations is inducing Congress to pass a fair employment practices act.

Phi Beta Sigmas Issue Ga. charter

Afro-American Baltimore Md.

MACON, Ga. — Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity announced the chartering of a new graduate chapter, Gamma Pi Sigma, at Macon Ga.

Sat. 1-21-56

Ceremonies at Fort Valley State College on Sunday, were conducted by college president, Dr. C. V. Troup Sr., who is first national vice president of Sigma and Virgil Scott of Atlanta, Ga., state director of the fraternity.

A presentation of the chapter's charter was made to Horace L. Hawes, president.

Other officers and members are: B. H. Price, W. H. Wilson, Rev. C. W. Ward, C. E. Brumfield, Rev. A. H Parson, J. M. Hill, Conrad Miller, H. House Aaron, C. Cook Jr., and John M. Hill.

The Phi Beta Sigmas Observe Founders Day

Courier
Sat. 1-21-56

MARSHALL, — Beta Chapter of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc, observed Founders Day on the Wiley campus this week. Included in the tribute to the founders of the organization was also an observance of George Washington Carver Day.

Participating in the program were members of the Fraternity from Wiley and Bishop colleges. They were: Brothers Warren H. Hawkins, Wiley senior, from Tyler, Texas who played the prelude; Raymond Gilstrap, Wiley junior, Dangerfield, Texas, who was in charge of devotions; Jesse J. McMillan, Wiley senior, Houston, Texas, who read the history of the Fraternity; Benny R. Cephus, Wiley junior, Marlin, Texas who spoke of Dr Carver's contribution to mankind; Earnest Percy Jones Jr, Wiley senior, Fort Myers, Florida, who gave the main address; and Asper E. Harper, Bishop junior, who introduced the speaker.

The "Dynatones" of Bishop College were the guest artists. The Chapter is making plans for the observance for Bigger and Better Business Week which is an annual observance of the Fraternity in April.

Dr. Iggers Speaker For Sigmas' "Bigger, Better Business Week"

Daily World P. 3
Tues, 4-10-56 Atlanta, Ga

Atlanta chapters of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., join chapters of the fraternity around the nation this week in the observance of "Bigger and Better Business Week."

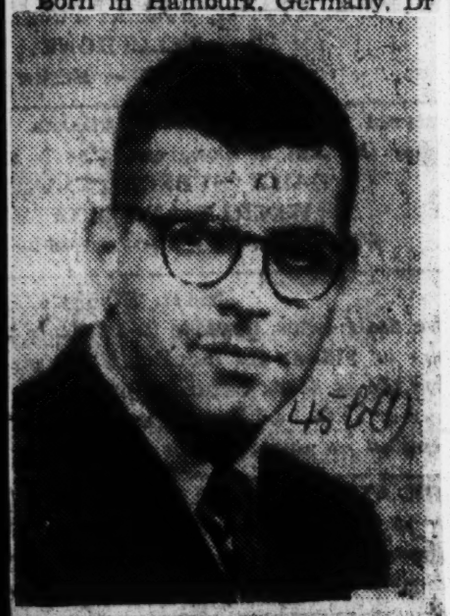
Highlighting the observance here will be programs at three of the Atlanta colleges.

Among the guest speakers will be Dr. Georg G. Iggers, head of the Department of Foreign Languages and associate professor of History at Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark.

Dr. Iggers is being presented jointly by Chi Chapter, Morehous College; Psi Chapter, Clark College; Zeta Chapter, Morris Brown College and Lambda-Sigma Chapter the graduate chapter

He will visit the Atlanta colleges during the chapel hour and will speak at Morehouse on Thursday at 9 p. m., Clark also on Thursday at 10 A. M., and on Friday will wind-up his speaking engagement at Morris Brown, at 10 a. m.

Born in Hamburg, Germany, Dr



DR. GEORG G. IGGERS

Iggers was forced to flee as a child to escape religious persecution of the Jews under the Nazis. He has spent most of his life in the United States and in the South, particularly in Richmond, Va.

After attending the junior and senior high schools of Richmond, he attended the University of Richmond, later in Arkansas, and received his doctorate at the University of Akron.

A member of the faculty of Philander Smith since 1950, he is currently chairman of the executive board of the Little Rock NAACP. Arkansas correspondent of the American Civil Liberties Union, a member of the board of the Arkansas Council of Human Relations and social action chairman of the graduate chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity in Little Rock.

Other speakers at Morehouse include: Dr. Frank Cunningham, chairman of the Department of Philosophy, Morris Brown College; and Rev. Homer C McEwen, pastor of the First Congregational Church.

General Board Of Phi Beta Sigma Meets in St. Louis

Globe Independent
Nashville, Tenn

The General Board of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., will meet in St. Louis, Mo., Saturday, Feb. 11, at the Pine St. YMCA. This being the regularly scheduled meeting of the board held each year immediately following the annual Conclave, the agenda will have the implementation of the Sigma Program as its most important item.

The following National Program Directors will outline the method to be used by their departments for 1956: E. Rhudolphus Clemons of Philadelphia, Pa., Bigger & Better Business; Charles E. Trout of Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, Education and Scholarship; Atty. Robert L. Williams of Florida A&M University, Tallahassee, Fla., Social Action. Other officers attending and making reports will be: National President, Dr. George D. Flemmings of Fort Worth, Texas; First National Vice President, Dr. C. V. Troup, Sr., of Fort Valley State College, Fort Valley, Ga.; Second National Vice President, Rolland W. Greene of West Virginia State College; Ephraim E. Person of Chicago, Ill., National Treasurer; William E. Doar, Jr., Brooklyn, N. Y., National Executive Secretary; Dr. William H. Pipes, Little Rock, Ark., Editor of "The Crescent."

The following Regional Directors: Edgar B. Felton, New York City, Eastern; Dr. John M. Dasher, Dayton, Ohio, Great Lakes; Arthur D. McNeal Texarkana, Texas, Lone Stark; J. C. Duncan, Yanceyville, N. C., Southeastern; Alvin J. McNeil, Itta Bena, Miss., southern; E. Alfred Dixon, Southwestern, of St. Louis, Mo.; and Theodore H. Miller, San Francisco, Calif., Western.

Louisville Defender 2-23-56

Playing host to the General Board will be Kappa Sigma Chapter of which Atty H. Wilson Gray is president. Following the all-day Board meeting will be the annual Founders' Dinner of the fraternity at which Dr. Troup, President of Fort Valley State College will be principal speaker with the other Board members as guests of honor.

Phi Beta Sigma To Observe Business Week Program

Daily World
Tuesday 4-10-56 P. 8
Atlanta, Ga.

Chi Chapter, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. of Morehouse College celebrates its annual "Bigger and Better Business Week" program Wednesday through Friday, April 11 through 13, in the College Chapel at 9:00 a. m.

Speakers for this celebration respectively, will be Dr. Frank Cunningham, chairman of the Department of Philosophy, Morris Brown College; Dr. George G. Iggers, chairman of the Department of Foreign Languages, Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark.; and the Rev. Homer C. McEwen, pastor, The First Congregational Church.

On Friday following the address by Rev. McEwen, the chapter will make the annual presentation of the "Noble Service" and "Distinguish Student" award. Chi Chapter endeavors to make this year's program its best under the able directorship of Bro. Alfred L. Morris.

Carver Hotel In Miami To House Phi Beta Sigmas

Globe Independent
Nashville, Tenn
Fri. 10-26-56 P. 1

By J. Benjamin Horton, Jr.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—

Plans are rapidly maturing for the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity's 42nd Anniversary Conclave to be held in Miami, Fla. December 27th-28th-29th. The conclave theme is: "Meeting the Demands of Democracy."

Among the nation's outstanding greek-letter organizations, Sigma's headquarters for the conclave will be at The Miami Carver Hotel, 899 NW Third Avenue at which hostelry a block of 40 rooms have been reserved. Other hotels listed are the Sir John, Booker Terrace, Lord Calvert and Mary Elizabeth. Delegates who are expected to attend are requested to make reservations direct with these hotels, now, as Christmas is the height of the tourist season and delay may result in disappointment.

Registration of delegates will be at the Carver Hotel. Business sessions will be held at the Douglas Elementary School, 12th St. Northwest. A general Board meeting has been scheduled on December 26th at the Carver Hotel.

The 3-day meeting of the group will include, aside from its general business, a Bait-A-Date party; an Inter-Greek dance and its Grand Orchard Ball. Many other social events have been planned.

Delegates are urged by William E. Doar, Jr., national executive secretary and Earl A. Wells, president of Rho Sigma Chapter, . . . host to the Miami conclave, that they plan now making housing, plane, train and other reservations at once.

Chi Delta Mu sets Four-day conclave

Afro-American Baltimore, Md. Jan. 3, 1956

BROOKLYN, N.Y.—The grand conclave of Chi Delta Mu, national fraternity of physicians, dentists and pharmacists, will convene here April 1st to 4th.

Xi Chapter of Brooklyn and Long Island will be host for this annual session. Headquarters will be in the newly-decorated Provident Professional Club, 671 Lafayette Ave.

Through the chairman of the conclave, Dr. William Harper,; the president, Adrian C. Lamos, and secretary, Dr. Cecil Gloster, a program, which will be attractive to visiting Chi men and their wives, has been arranged.

Other members of the conclave committee are Drs. L. Lashley, George Nightingale, Gerald Edwards, Rupert Taylor, Forrest Hayes, William Kemp, Horace Hamlett and Leroy Payne.

All communications should be sent directly to the Provident Professional Club, 671 Lafayette Avenue, Brooklyn 16, New York, care of Dr. Harper.

The highlights of the conclave will be the public meeting at Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church in Brooklyn, with the principal speaker, Bertram Baker, New York State Assemblyman.

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THE CHI WIVES under the chairmanship of Dr. S. Evelyn Lewis, have planned numerous social activities, foremost of which is a tour and luncheon at the United Nations headquarters in New York, arrangements for shopping and sight seeing in New York's most fashionable stores, and a formal dance at the new Linden Manor Ballroom, Linden Boulevard in Jamaica, Long Island.

Business sessions will be from 9 to 4 daily with a meeting of the executive body on Sunday, April 1 at 5 p.m.

Dr. WILLIAM E. HARPER

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PHI SIGMA KAPPA FRATERNITY

DISCRIMINATION SANCTION HELD "INCONGRUOUS" IN NEGRO BAN

Daily World Issue 4-17-56

HANOVER, N. H. — (INS) — The Dartmouth College Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity has severed connections with the National Organization and has reorganized as an independent because of a National ban by the fraternity on admission of Negroes.

Atlanta Daily

The announcement by local officials of the fraternity said it had been reorganized under the name Phi Tau Fraternity.

The announcement said the action was taken because "It is incongruous for any organization founded on brotherhood to sanction discrimination on the grounds of race, creed or color."

Ronald G. Read of Dearborn, Mich., was elected president of the new Phi Tau fraternity.

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PI SIGMA ALPHA, National Political Science Honorary Fraternity

New Honor Society

Defender 1-2

ATLANTA — Pi Sigma Alpha, national political science honorary fraternity, was installed at Atlanta university center here recently. Howard university is the only other Negro institution with a charter.

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SIGMA NU Social Fraternity

Fraternity To Continue Racial Bar

Post & Times Herald P.38 Sat. 9-1-56 Washington

ROANOKE, Aug. 30 (AP)—By a vote of 130 to 119, Sigma Nu social fraternity has voted to keep "selectivity" membership clauses in its by-laws to prohibit the admission of Negroes and Orientals.

The vote came yesterday at the fraternity's convention here after lengthy debate. Six Sigma Nu chapters have been pressed to remove the clauses or withdraw from their campuses.

Individual Sigma Nu chapters cannot remove the membership restrictions. Only a majority vote of all the members in the entire fraternity can do so.

"We tried to help those six chapters and still uphold the honor of the fraternity," a Sigma Nu spokesman said. A move was started to change the fraternity's laws to open its membership to all. Yesterday's vote came on adoption of the jurisprudence committee report.

The spokesman said the dispute was not sectional, but one of basic freedoms. "There is no reason why the fraternity as a private organization should let someone else tell us who we can have for members," he said.

Five fraternity chapters under pressure are at Columbia University, University of Colorado, University of Wisconsin, Dartmouth College and Wesleyan University. A sixth chapter, at the University of Vermont, may be given the choice of removing the selectivity clauses or leaving the campus.

Frat Raps Chapter For Pledging Negroes

World-Telegram
P. 3
Thurs. 1-26-56

By the United Press.

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., Jan. 26.—The National Sigma Phi Fraternity today condemned its Williams College chapter for pledging two Negroes and called on its 3000 to expel the unit.

The 40 undergraduate members and nine alumni trustees of the chapter went ahead with plans to initiate the two students Feb. 18 regardless of national action.

New York, N.Y.

Williams College backed its local chapter, reiterating a stand it took in 1946. The college said no fraternity can operate on the campus whose "chapter is not free to elect to membership any individual on the basis of his merit as a person."

NEGRO PLEDGES OPPOSED

Times P.M.
Thurs. 1-27-56.

Sigma Phi at Williams Faces Loss of National Charter

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., Jan. 26 (AP)—The Williams College chapter of Sigma Phi Fraternity faces loss of its national affiliation for pledging two Negro students.

New York, N.Y.

This became known today when the alumni trustees promised the membership "complete support" after the national body accused the local of forfeiting its affiliation by pledging two "controversial" students.

College officials reaffirmed a position taken in 1946 when the college announced elections to fraternities should be based on an individual's merits. A spokesman also pointed out that the college ruled last summer no fraternity could operate on the campus unless it was free to select members on their merits as persons.

The national chapter has called a meeting for Feb. 4 in New York City to consider the local's action.

Tau Beta Pi Sets Up New Chapter At Howard

Jrnl. 3-24-56 Norfolk Va.
Journal & Guide

By CONSTANCE DANIEL

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The installation of D. C. Alpha Chapter of Tau Beta Pi, national engineering honor society, at Howard University, on March 10, marked another milestone in the growth and quality of racial integration in America's honor societies.

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Paul H. Robbins, Tau Beta Pi's director of fellowships, and secretary of the National Society of Professional Engineers, who was the principal speaker at the installation banquet, described this growth by the one word, "Brothers!" by which he addressed the assembled members of the newly-installed chapter—the first in any college or university in the District of Columbia. And there were the telegrams of congratulations to D. C.'s Alpha Chapter, from Alpha of Georgia Chapter, at Georgia Institute of Technology, and from Tau Beta at Alabama Institute of Technology.

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SPONSORED by Johns Hopkins University, and the University of Maryland, a Howard University delegation of three, headed by the dean of engineering and architecture, Lewis K. Downing, journyed to the annual Tau Beta Pi Convention, at the University of Michigan, last fall, and presented in person the Howard petition for admission. To the surprise of all, this petition for admission to this society—whose membershp requirements are even stiffer than those of its liberal arts counterpart, Phi Beta Kappa—was approved by a rousing vote of 103 to 1.

In addition to Dean Downing of Michigan Gamma Chapter, 1921, the delegation included Dr. Walter T. Daniels, professor of structural engineering, Arizona Alpha, 1929, who is faculty adviser, and Arthur F. Moore, Jr., a senior student in engineering, new president of Howard's Engineering and Architectur Honor Society. Formal, documented petition had been submitted, as of December, 1954, to the Tau Beta Pi Executive Council, in a comprehensive 77-page, illustrated brochure which set forth, as required, the history and development of the School of Engineering and Architecture, the qualifications of its faculty and accomplishments of its graduates.

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AMONG THE 13 petitioners from Howard's Enginering and Architecture Honor Society were ten members of the Class of 1955: Lloyd A. Abel, James R. Duncan, Richard L. Lawrence, James R. Lyles, Bernard E. Madison, Rai R. Mamoer, Byron S. Powell, William H. Smith, Jr., Junius N. Southall and Boyd P. Strain, Jr., with three members of the Class of 1956, Arthur F. Moore, Jr., now prsident; Wilborn J. Lindsey and Rodney Olden.

Qualifications for membership are status in the upper fifth of the junior class, and the upper tenth of the senior class—overall class standing certified by the college registrar. Women who qualify may attend all ceremonies, but may not be initiated, according to the Tau Beta Pi constitution. They are awarded badges. Eight Negro women in the United States are members. Two from Howard University—one architect and one electrical engineer—may be badge winners this year.

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THERE WERE Tau Beta Pi men at the banquet on March 10 who had waited out the honor society's growing pains over long years, before they were finally initiated. Dean Downing had been pledged by Michigan Gamma in 1921. Clifford Smith, bridge engineer in the Bridge Division, D. C. Highway Department, was an Iowa Beta pledge from SUI, for 1925.

Dr. Walter T. Daniels, professor of structural engineering at the H. U .School, was Arizona Alpha 1929. Francis A. Gregory, head of the Division of Vocational Education in the integrated District of Columbia schools, was elected unanimously to Tau Beta Pi, by Alpha of Ohio Chapter, at Case Institute of Technology, Cleveland, in 1927.

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TWENTY-ONE years later, in October, 1949, Mr. Gregory, then principal of Armstrong high school in Washington, received from Alpha of Ohio, a letter which said:

"It is with pleasure that we can inform you that conditions which prevented your initiation into Tau Beta Pi in 1928 have been overcome. This chapter has voted unanimously to offer you a bid for membership. We all hope that you will be able to accept. If you can accept we would like you to be initiated here at the place where you should have been initiated 21 years ago."

Educator Gregory, accepting, wrote back: "I am deeply moved to be included in a fellowship strong enough to reach across the years to rebuild old faiths" —the faith of an eager youth that had been shaken by segregation nearly a generation earlier. In 1949, when Mr. Gregory was inaugurated, the president of the Case Chapter was a Chinese, Tsai Hwa Lee.

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THE AMHERST Alumni News took note of the removal of Tau Beta Pi's race barrier, in its issue for March ,1950, for Amherst alumnus, James Gregory, Washington educator, (Amherst '98) was Francis' father. To him, the indignant youth, "boiling mad," had written, in December, 1927:

Just a line to shake your faith in justice! The national council represented by a southern secretary and a weak president, is frantically atempting to keep me out of Tau Beta Pi!"

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HE HAD BEEN pledged, had gone through all the ceremonies and was ready for initiation. Then the national office ordered the chapter at Case not to accept a Negro. Admitedly "hard hit" and ready to fight it out, Francis stormed to his parent, "If I don't get in, I want revenge!"

On his initiation following the lowering of the color bar, two decades later, he reflected, "This will make it much easier for Negro boys now studying at Cornell, Rennsalaer, Purdue, Syracuse, Howard and elsewhere, to know that the Phi Beta Kappa in their field will not be denied them because of race."

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OLD TAU BETA men are unanimous in crediting Tau Beta Pi National Secretary Robert Nagel with yeoman work in seeking out Negro pledgees barred by race many years before, and notifying their chapters that they were eligible for initiation. The Howard School of Engineering and Architecture, which has graduated more than 400 students since its establishment 31 years ago, is also seeking H. U. Engineering and Architecture Honor Society member who have graduated in the past five years, and are now eligible for membership in D. C. Alpha.

Howard engineering graduates are licensed to practice in Virginia, Michigan, New York, South Carolna, Maryland and D. C. Graduates in architecture are registered and practicing in Louisaina, Tennessee, New Jersey, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and D. C. Others are working in arhitectural offices in many states. About one-tenth are in education or private practice. About one-tenth, also, have earned advanced degrees. The other nine-tenths are distributed fairly evenly between government laboratories and private industry. Sons of five Howard engineering and architecture graduates have also earned engineering or architectural degrees at Howard.

FRANCIS GREGORY
Elected in 1927

LEWIS K. DOWNING
Engineering Dean

ARTER MEMBERS of the ard university chapter of eta Pi, national honor so- n engineering, are shown with Miss LaBonnie Bi- badge winner from the organization. Occasion was the banquet following installation exercises. Miss Bianchi, who qualified for membership scholastically, could not be inducted because of the society's ban on women. She became the 194th woman to receive the organization's badge of honor on its 71at year history.

AKA's Free Gift Shop at Tuskegee VA Is Terrific

Courier Pittsburgh Pa. Sec. 2 P. 4 Sat. 2-4-56

TUSKEGEE, Ala. — The families or relatives of nearly 600 hospitalized veterans of the Veterans Administration Hospital, Tuskegee, Ala., enjoyed a merrier Christmas as a result of the first annual Free Gift Shop sponsored by the National AKA Sorority.

The Gift Shop was stocked with nearly 2,000 articles, including toys and clothing for children; lingerie, perfume, costume jewelry and household articles for ladies and toilet articles, clothing and handkerchiefs for men; which afforded the patients the opportunity to select most appropriate articles for members of his family.

The gifts were supplied by seventy-six chapters of the sorority throughout the nation. A bedside shopping service enabled the patients who were unable to leave their wards to have gifts mailed to their families.

Mrs. Jurhetta Smoot, Basileus of the Beta Xi Chapter, Tuskegee, and Mrs. Rachel Taylor, health committee chairman, were assisted by seventy volunteers.

AKAs Award Health Grant

Journal & Guide Norfolk, Va. Sat. 5-12-56 P. 4

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE — Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority recently awarded its National Health Grant of $2,000 to Tuskegee Institute for a research project to be conducted in the Carver Foundation.

Mrs. Arnetta Wallace, supreme basileus, Knoxville, Tenn., designated Mrs. Jurhetta N. Smoot, basileus of Beta Xi Omega Chapter, Tuskegee, to make the formal presentation. Dr. Cecile H. Edwards, Research associate of the Carver Foundation, accepted the grant in behalf of the Institute.

In a prepared statement Mrs. Smoot stated that the study to be conducted concerns: "Medical and Biochemical Relationships of Certain Unusual Dietary Practices to Pregnancy and the Development of the Infant."

Two AKA Chapters Cancel Big Dance And Help NAACP

Afro P. 1 Tues. 2-7-56 Nashville, Tenn.

NEW YORK, March 29-- Roy Wilkins, NAACP executive secretary, today expressed the hope that an action taken by two sorority chapters in this city would be widely adopted by other groups.

Two Brooklyn chapters of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority voted recently to cancel plans for their spring formal dance in order to divert approximately $1,000 in dance taxes to civil rights work in the South.

Mr. Wilkins was informed of the move by Mrs. Marjorie E. Morsell of Brooklyn, co-chairman of the group's formal dance committee. In a letter thanking Mrs. Morsell, the NAACP official told her that "funds are needed now to carry on urgent NAACP work in the South."

A communication from Mrs. Morsell had said her group "felt that, while Negroes were walking to work in Montgomery, Alabama, while Negroes were being shot and killed while trying to vote in Mississippi, and were being bombed and thrown out of work in South Carolina, this was hardly the time to be dancing in New York."

The formal resolution of the sororoity chapters stated: "We, the sorors of the Brooklyn Chapters of Alpha Kappa Alpha, do here and now forego all interest in, or concern with, a formal dance in this crucial year of another kind of emancipation for Negroes."

AKA awards Afro-American P. 11 health grant

Sat. 6-5-56

TUSKEGEE, Ala. (ANP)—The Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority has just awarded its national health grant of $2,000 to Tuskegee Institute for a research project to be conducted in the Carver Foundation.

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Mrs. Smoot stated that the study to be conducted concerns "medical and biochemical relationships of certain unusual dietary practices to pregnancy and the development of the infant."

She stated: "Throughout the years Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority has been interested in major public health problems that vitally affect the health and well being of the American public. As early as 1930 national health projects were sponsored by the sorority, the first one being the now famous Mississippi health project.

Continuing, she said: "In recent years, we have been cognizant of the fact that there are many health challenges such as heart disease, cancer, problems of maternal and infant care, problems of nutrition, growth and development and many others that are far from being eradicated or solved. Therefore the sorority's national health projects have shifted their emphasis to research."

She added that each of the 269 chapters of the sorority sponsors local health programs.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Was First Among Negro Sororities

Gazette & Daily York, Pa. Thurs. 7-27-56

Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority had its beginning at Howard university in 1908, and marked the beginning of Greek Letter sororities among Negro women in America.

From the outset one phase of activity has been the promotion, encouragement and recognition of scholastic achievement. Partial attainment of this objective has come through the awarding of local scholarships by individual chapters.

Alpha Chi Omega Chapter lends itself to the major objective of the sorority through annual scholarships to deserving high school seniors and encourages scholastic attainment and high morals by the selection each month of the "Girl of the Month" from among high school seniors.

In order to improve the social status of the race, Alpha Kappa Alpha sorors have pioneered in planning and carrying out various programs of national scope which program begun in the early twenties. Another project of the sorority is the national health program begun in 1934.

As a demonstration project the purpose of which was to arouse official agencies to the pressing need for medical services and their responsibility for providing equal care for all groups Alpha Kappa Alpha's rural Health Project won health ranks.

Alpha Kappa Alpha's arm "to an enviable position in public cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical standards, improve the social status of the race, promote unity and friendship among college women, and keep alive within the alumnae an interest in college life and the progressive movements emanating therefrom," is ably carried out through the work of Alpha Chi Omega Chapter in Tulsa.

Elected officers for the local chapter are the Mesdames, Dorotha Wade, basileus; Mary Batson, anti-basileus; Ella Bratton, grammateus; Ruth Devereaux, anti-grammateus; Fredi M. Boone, Epistoleus; Versie D. Alford, anti-Epistoleus; Helen Rouce, tamiochus; Edna T. Moreland, financial secretary; Katherine Mack, parliamentarian; Daisy Hall, Hodegos; Geraldine Thomas, philackter; Grace T. Jones, Ivy Leaf reporter; Maurice Thomas and Juanita O. Lewis, co-chairmen, publicity.

Other active sorors include the Mesdames Inez Black, Cordell Brooks, Arcille Brown, Vivian Burton, Viola Clay, Gertie B. Crawford, Sybil Crowell, Arvella Fue, gerita Jackson, Barbara Jackson, Lula Harris, Loyce Harvey, Margaret Hendrix, Manila Hickman, Nell Holtzclaw, Dorothy Isaac, Algerita Jackson, arbara Jackson Felicia Johnson, Gwendolyn Johnson, Hortense Johnson, Eutie Jones, Norma McCleod, Cleo R. Meeker, Geraldine Morris, Charlene Owens, Cecilia Palmer, Mary Randall, LaVerne Reed, Myrtle Rollerson, Charlotte Rowe, Minerva Thomas, Alice B. Williams, Mary Williams, Ione Wright, Blanche Vaughn, Sarah Browning and Essie Deal.

Some of the special activities schedules by Alpha Chi Omega for the current year include the "Go Western Frolic", annual Christmas vesper, Sweetheart's Ball, and the Founders' Day observance.

Psychologist Joins Delta Sorority Staff

Daily World Atlanta Ga.
Fri. 11-30-56

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Dorothy I. Height, Grand President of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is proud to announce that Ann Ferebee Shephard has joined the staff of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority National Headquarters as Administrative Assistant. In her new position, Mrs. Shephard will work with the Executive Director and the Board on program development and administration. Mrs. Shephard's association with the 43-year-old national college women's society highlights the sorority's concentration on programming for mental health and community service.

Mrs. Shephard holds the M. A. and B. S. degrees from New York University with a major in psychology. She served from 1952 to 1955 as Chief Counselor for Girls at the Industrial Home School of the District of Columbia and from 1948 to 1952 as Assistant Professor of Psychology and Education at Shaw University in Raleigh, N. C. She is a member of the following national honor societies: Kappa Delta Pi and Pi Lambda Theta.

Mrs. Shephard is married to Joseph A. Shephard, Editor of the Baltimore Afro-American Newspaper and is the mother of a 17-month-old son, Howard.

Deltas Launch New Community Project

Daily World Atlanta Ga. Fri. 12-7-56

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The purpose of the project is to train members of Delta Sigma Theta to assume volunteer responsibilities with local units of the five participating agencies. The potential for community service in each of the 242 undergraduate and alumni chapters of the sorority will be released through this important project.

The Volunteer Service Project is being launched in the Eastern Region of the Sorority. Twelve Delta women with social work training and experience have been assigned the responsibility for leading workshop training meetings of members of Delta Sigma Theta in six eastern and southern cities. These twelves leaders met with members of the staffs of the five participating agencies at a meeting in New York City for briefing on the program and structure of the five agencies.

On October 20, the first Volunteer Service workshop of Delta members was held in Baltimore, Maryland. Additional meetings with representatives from chapters in the surrounding area were held in Rocky Mount, North Carolina on October 27; in Boston, Mass., November 3; Newark, New Jersey and Roanoke, Virginia, November 10. The next meeting will be held in Charlotte, North Carolina.

So far over two hundred members of Delta Sigma Theta have met with agency representatives to discuss the philosophy of volunteer service and the structure of the agencies to be served.

The women will return to their chapters and recruit from the Delta membership women to serve as advisors to teen-age clubs discussion leaders for adult group members of volunteer program committees, fund raisers and other activities for which social welfare agencies sorely need personnel.

Those women who have participated in the project in the Eastern Region will report their experience to the 24th National Convention in Detroit and other regions and chapters are expected to use the information they receive to make volunteer service a part of their programs.

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Journal and Guide

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At this and other sessions of the 24th National Convention the delegates from thirty states and the Republic of Haiti will give serious attention to discussions centering around the Convention Theme: "Releasing the Delta Potential: for leadership, for community service and for personal growth."

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Delta Sigma Theta Bookmobile Project in Georgia Successful

Call Jan. 6-8-56
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WASHINGTON, D. C. — Dorothy I. Height, grand president of the Delta Sigma Theta sorority, announced this week that the Bookmobile project initiated by the sorority in 1950 to demonstrate the need for library service in four northwest counties of Georgia has been an unqualified success.

In a report to the sorority, Dr. Jeanne Noble, chairman of the National Projects committee, said: "The Bookmobile was one of the contributing factors in stimulating interest...to make the planning for library facilities a welcome aspect of community planning. The Delta Bookmobile became an Education-mobile."

The Delta Sigma Theta Bookmobile circulated in Heard, Haralson, Carroll and Douglas counties in northwest Georgia with its base at the King Street branch library in Carrollton. Leroy Childs, librarian at the King Street branch, drives the Bookmobile. While traveling through the counties, the Bookmobile takes books to schools, lends books, sewing patterns and shows films and conducts classes with adults.

Therefore, in addition to being a vehicle for bringing books to people who do not have them, the Bookmobile brings service and educational experience. Mr. Childs told the sorority that the people served by the Bookmobile "wanted to learn as much as they could, as fast as they could, and since they read slowly, it was more important to talk about things. If we could get them interested in knowledge, they read books later."

Miss Edith Foster, director of the West Georgia Regional library, said "The Bookmobile is a symbol of something vital. It takes Mr. Childs to the people. The adult discussions he leads are known in the community as Bookmobile programs."

In view of the achievement of the Bookmobile, a Ford vanette truck, purchased and equipped by Delta Sigma Theta in 1950 and given to the state of Georgia for use in the West Georgia Regional library and Georgia Department of Education program, the sorority turned all equipment over to the state of Georgia with a terminal gift for supplies or equipment. In addition, Mr. Leroy Childs, King Street librarian, was given a scholarship by the sorority to complete his graduate work in Library Science at Atlanta university.

In a statement made to members of the West Georgia Regional Library board in Carrollton, Ga., Mrs. Patricia Roberts Harris, executive director of Delta Sigma Theta, said:

"We of Delta Sigma Theta are thrilled that our corporate gift to this small section of our country has been so important in enrishing the lives of the people it serves. We are ourselves enriched by the knowledge that we have opened a small part of the world of books to our brothers and sisters here and that the cooperation of all the people of this community in making the experiment work is itself a lesson in brotherhood. We can now, as a sorority, move on to other areas of service secure in the knowledge that we have made a meaningful contribution through our Bookmobile."

Deltas present 58 In Miami

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MIAMI, Fla. — Fifty-eight girls from the senior classes of the four high schools in the Greater Miami area became debutantes at the sixth annual Cotillion sponsored by Beta Zeta Sigma Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, here last week.

Baltimore, Md.
Sat. 6-16-56

The affair was held in Bayfront Park Auditorium. 1,000 guests attended the presentation. The girls were chosen through their schools on the basis of scholarship, character, personality, and leadership in extra-curricular activities. Their escorts were also graduating seniors.

Mrs. Claude Clark and Mrs. William Stirrup were co-chairmen for the affair. Mrs. Sheba Major Martin directed the cotillion waltz. Beta Zeta Sigma Chapter president is Mrs. Alonzo Fannin.

The debutantes are:

Misses Clara M. Alexander, Gardenia Bagley, Annie Ruth Banks, Marva Batson, Velma Bethune, Mary Birdsong, Ruthell Blake, Delores Collie, Evadney Curlin, Merita Cowert, Gloria Daniels, and Daisy Davis,

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Misses Roma Harden, Tommy Hardy, Ann Harris, Daisy Harris, Irene Harris, Jimmie Johnson, Yvonne Johnson, Ietta Jones, Viola LaCount, Hazel Lee, Virginia Larrimore, Anna Luckie, Erma Mackey and Helen McCray;

Misses Elizabeth McDougle, Ivis Mikell, Sarah Miller, Mildred Mitchell, Shirley Payne, Ernestine Phillips, Mildred Phillips, Myrna Range, Tess Richards, Mercedes Ross, Dorothy Russell and Jacqueline Sargent;

Misses Ann Saunders, Cynthia Smith, Sylvia Spence, Geraldine Starks, Barbara White, Geraldine Wilford, Bernice Williams and Dorothy Williams.

Delta Sigma Theta Names 1956-57 Scholarship Winners

Eagle Thurs. 10-18-56
Tulsa Oklahoma

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. proudly announces the recipients of her National Scholarship Awards and Grants for 1956-57.

Fifteen young women from almost as many states have been granted a total of $6,500 to study in some of the country's outstanding colleges and universities. Delta Sigma Theta sorority's national scholarship program is especially designed to give aid to young women who are pursuing work in unusual areas, areas where there is great need for well-trained personnel, or to those who have almost completed their requirements for advanced or professional degrees.

In addition to the awards and grants listed below Delta Sigma Theta sorority participates in two other outstanding and unique scholarship programs. Each year a scholarship of $500 is awarded a selected young woman of India to pursue advance training in social work at the Delhi School of Social Work, Delhi, India.

Through an annual grant of $1,000. Delta Sigma Theta is a participating part of the Referral and Supplementary Scholarship program of the National Schalarship Service and Fund for Negro Students. It is through NSSF that Delta Sigma Theta gives invaluable aid to high school students by helping to identify those high school seniors with the ability to qualify for admission and scholarship assistance at inter-racial colleges, then, where necessary provide the supplementary scholarship needed by selected ones of those who have been accepted and awarded insufficient scholarships by the colleges.

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Juanita Stewart, Oneonta, Ala., junior, Alabama A&M college, Biology;

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Lovie Nall Jackson, Chicago, Ill., senior, Chicago university, languages.

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Helen Ferguson, Phoenix, Ariz., senior, Arizona State college, Business administration;

Barbara Daniels, New York City, junior, Columbia university, pharmacy;

Gloria Matthews, Miami, Fla., graduate, Clark College, Atlanta Ga., dramatics, to attend Yale university;

Shirley Jones, Tougaloo, Miss., graduate Tougaloo College, speech therapy, to attend Hunter college, New York, Ny.

Henrietta S. Matthews, hometown, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, graduate, Oklahoma State University, Scoial work, attend: University of Oklahoma;

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Shirley Davis, Roanoke, Va., junior, Talladega college, biology;

Carolyn Fowler, Los Angeles, Calif., sophomore, U.C.L.A., language and political science, leading toward being an interpreter;

Rosalyn Wilcox, Dayton, Ohio, Ohio; sophomore, Ohio State University, nursing.

RECIPIENTS of 1956-57 scholarship awards from Delta Sigma Theta Sorority are (left to right) 1st Row; Freddie Mitchell, University of Illinois; Mary Rucker, S. C. State college; Rochelle Hood, University of Louisville; Juanita Stewart, Alabama A&M college; Lovie R. Jackson, University of Illinois; 2nd Row: Helen Ferguson, Arizona State college; Barbara Daniels, Columbia university; Gloria Mathews, Clark college; Shirley Jones, Tougaloo college; Henreitta Mathews, University of Oklahoma: 3rd Row: Grace Lytle, Boston University; Evelyn L. Cain, Texas college; Shirley Anna Oavis, Talladega college; Carolyn Fowler, UCLA; Rosalyn Wilcox, Ohio State university.

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